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At Saint John's Cathedral, Hongkong, on the 20th instant, by the Reverend Frederick Trench Johnson, M.A., WILLIAM LAUGHTON LEASK, to A. E. MABEL BEATON, M.A., daughter of WILLIAM L. BEATON, Esq., Perth, Scotland. [1453

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 21ST, 1911.

AN election of two members of the Sanitary Board is due next month, and in a brief discussion which occurred at the meeting of the Board on Tuesday on the changes contemplated by the Government in the law constituting the electorate, a little difference of opinion on the subject was shown. About three years ago, when the last election took place, we published a letter written by Mr. SHELTON HOOPER, who was one of the candidates, which gave a classification of all persons who had the right to vote. The list included Members of Council, Civil Servants, Consuls not carrying on business, officers on full pay in the Naval and Military Services, masters of steamers and local pilots, besides common and special jurors and those who, either on account of the nature of their avocations or owing to infirmity or old age, are exempt from jury service. In short, practically every male adult has the right, under the law as it stands to-day, to vote at Sanitary Board elections, though we very much doubt whether those who framed the section realised what a wide franchise it conferred. Certainly Mr. SHELTON HOOPER's letter, to which reference has already been made, was startling to most people who had supposed the electorate to be much more restricted than is really the case. In the short discussion which took place at Tuesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board exception was taken by Dr. FITZWILLIAMS to the proposed exclusion of Naval Officers on full pay from the electorate. He remarked that Hongkong was the biggest Naval station in the East, and expressed the opinion that "with a resident Naval population of the size of that in Hongkong they should either be directly represented or be allowed a voice in the appointment of members of the Board." The argument is more plausible, we think, than convincing. We can hardly regard Naval Officers as residents of Hongkong, excepting perhaps the few attached to the receiving ship *Tamar*, who remain here and do not flit from port to port with the squadron. Yet we have some recollection of a Sanitary Board election in which a gentleman quite new to the Colony was elected to a seat on the Board by the votes of Naval and Military Officers whose acquaintance with the sanitary problems of the Colony had been even briefer than the candidate's own. Whatever may be said in favour of direct representation of the Navy on the Board,—and we think very little can be urged in its favour—it is surely absurd to give naval officers a right to vote in an election of representatives of the resident population. Nor should military officers be given the vote, as officers. For some years past it has been the practice of successive Governors to give a seat on the Board to the Principal Medical Officer of the garrison, though this is a departure from expressed intentions when the constitution of the Board was framed. We agree with the Hon. Mr. HEWETT when he said that the proposed change inflicts no hardship on the Navy. Interest in the sanitary problems of the Colony alone would probably not bring a single officer to the polling booth, and it is not surprising that Dr. FITZWILLIAMS found no support for his protest among his colleagues on the Board. In the Bill now before the Council the clause has been so drafted as to exclude all Civil Servants as well as Naval and Military Officers. As the ATTORNEY-GENERAL puts the matter in the "Objects and Reasons" attached to the Bill, "the clause is introduced in order more effectually to carry out the intention of the Legislature, which was to confine the electors of the two elected members of the Sanitary Board to those who are special or common jurors, and to those who would be jurors but for the nature of their avocations or for age or infirmity. In the clause as now drafted this intention is carried out, save that persons holding offices of emolument under the Crown, and Military officers, are omitted, as they and their views are amply represented by the official and appointed members of the Board." When the matter is fully considered in the light of this explanation, the proposed alteration in the law will, we think, commend itself to all.

Two cases of dumping were reported to the police yesterday. One was at Yaumati and the other in the Central district.

Eighteen gamblers from Yaumati appeared before Mr. Irving at the Magistracy yesterday. The first two were fined $50 each and the remainder $3 each.

At to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council the Hon. Colonial Secretary will propose a resolution to change the badge of the Colony, which the motion describes as not only inartistic but unsuitable for reproduction especially on flags.

Mr. F. Howell, chief bailiff at the Supreme Court, retires at the end of the year after 31 years service. He leaves for Home in the Spring. Mr. Howell has done much to foster a love of horticulture in the Colony, and his departure will leave a blank in this sphere of activity which will not be easily filled. He has been long associated with Freemasonry, and he has done much to further the game of lawn bowls in Hongkong.

At the Victoria Theatre last night a new film entitled "The Siege of Calais" was shown for the first time in Hongong. The picture is full of historical interest and is beautifully coloured. It is three thousand metres in length and to judge by the number of people employed its production, must have been a very expensive picture to take. It is particularly realistic, and is altogether a fine example of cinematographic art.

TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

The concert by Kovarick, the boy violinist, takes place at the theatre this evening and promises to be a great musical treat. Competent critics who have been privileged to hear Kovarick play since his arrival in the Colony are unstinted in their praise. In the programme of the concert we published on Tuesday Mrs. Moulder's songs were not stated. She has selected "Elsa's Dream" (Lohengrin) and "Song of Mimi" (La Bohéme).

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE REVOLUTION.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

A MESSAGE FROM THE LEGATIONS.

LONDON, December 20th.

The Legations at Peking, with the authority of their respective Governments, have sent a message to the Peace Conference at Shanghai, through the Consuls, urging the importance of a friendly settlement, in the interests of both China herself and of foreigners in the country.

REBELLION IN TIBET.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's correspondent at Calcutta wires that the *Statesman* publishes a Gyantse correspondent's account of events which have occurred in Tibet. The Chinese soldiers in the various towns, including Lhassa, rebelled and looted the treasuries. They confined the Amban till the latter promised them a free pardon, and then impressed thousands of ponies and mules. They are now marching towards China.

THE WRECK OF THE "DELHI."

LONDON, December 20th.

Forty cases of gold from the *Delhi* have been landed. The bottom of the ship is bulging upwards and straining amidship, and she is gradually filling. The crew have all landed.

LATER.

Reuter's correspondent at Tangier wires that twenty-three cases of bullion and much baggage was salved from the *Delhi* to-day.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's correspondent at The Hague states that the Opium Conference has adopted five Chinese resolutions demanding protection for China against contraband trade in opium and other drugs, the prohibition of unlicensed sale, and the suppression of dens in foreign concessions.

RUSSO-AMERICA COMMERCIAL TREATY.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington wires that the Senate unanimously adopted the resolution proposed by Mr. Lodge, endorsing Mr. Tafts action. Mr. Root caused a sensation by declaring that there were millions of the Tsar's Mongolian subjects whom the United States would not admit into the country, treaty or no treaty. Other speakers, while desirous of upholding the rights of Americans, were anxious not to endanger America's trade.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's Sydney correspondent wires that Warner is now progressing favourably. There is a faint hope that he will be able to play in the fifth test match.

THE "HAWKE"-"OLYMPIC" COLLISION.

LONDON, December 20th.

In the Admiralty Court, Mr. Justice Evans has given his decision in the cross actions arising out of the collision between the cruiser *Hawke* and the liner *Olympic*. He attributed the collision to the fact that the *Olympic* came too close to the *Hawke*. The accident was solely due to the faulty navigation of the *Olympic's* pilot, who took too wide a sweep round West Bramble buoy. His Honour considered that her speed was greater than the witnesses had stated. After tests that had been carried out he accepted the theory that the suction pulled the *Hawke* into the *Olympic*. He consequently gave judgment with costs for the commander of the *Hawke*, and judgment without costs for the *Olympic* on the defence of compulsory pilotage.

NEW ZEALAND ELECTIONS.

LONDON, December 20th.

The final returns in connection with the New Zealand elections have resulted as follows:—Opposition, 39; Government, 33; Independent, 4; and Labour, 4.

SOCIETY WEDDING.

LONDON, December 20th.

A brilliant wedding look place to-day between Louvima, daughter of Lord Knollys, Private Secretary to the King, and Mr. Alan Mackenzie, of the Grenadier Guards. The Princess Victoria was present. After the ceremony, the bride and bridegroom drove to Marlborough House to receive the congratulations of Queen Alexandra.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GERMAN MILITARY AND NAVAL EXPENDITURE.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that the ordinary recurring Army expenditure amounts to 669,763,268 marks, an increase of 33,702,994 and the non-recurring to 83,980,757 marks, an increase of 14,462,988. The Navy recurring expenditure amounts to 177,927,651 marks, an increase of 10,720,497, and the non-recurring expenditure to 196,738,665 marks, an increase of 14,822,050. The common and extraordinary expenditure amounts to 134,473,100 marks, a decrease of 82,502,717. The Navy's total shows a decrease of 800,000 marks.

FRANCO-GERMAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, December 20th.

There has been a rambling debate in the French Chamber of Deputies on the Franco-German Agreement, enlivened by a sweeping anti-Government attack by the Socialist M. Jaures, who declared, amid uproar, that Germany's susceptibilities were clumsily wounded. German policy, he said, was occasionally brusque, but essentially moderate. France was now doing what she should have done eight years ago. He denounced the French policy of permitting Italy to swallow Tripolia, and remarked that Persia would share the fate of Poland.

THE ESPIONAGE SCARE IN GERMANY.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin states that several policemen and naval men have been arrested at Wilhelmshaven for suspected espionage.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR.

LONDON, December 20th.

The Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria is suffering from a severe of attack catarrh. This is accompanied by great weariness.

COMPETITION WITH CANADA.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa states that the Hon. G. E. Foster, in a speech at the Commercial Travellers Association, urged the Commercial travellers to be alert in view of the opening of the Panama Canal, which would bring severe competition from China and Japan.

STRIKES AT DUNDEE.

SERIOUS RIOTING.

LONDON, December 20th.

There has been serious rioting among the striking carters and dockers at Dundee. They threw a lorry into the river, and the police made a number of charges. Contingents of Glasgow and Edinburgh police have arrived and three hundred soldiers have been ordered to Dundee.

The millworkers have joined the strikers, owing to the closing of seven mills for lack of transport. The strikers are reckless and there have been hand to hand fights among the workers. Cattle going towards the market are being escorted by the police.

LATER.

The Dundee strike committee has telegraphed to the Government protesting against the presence of troops in the city, and guaranteeing complete order if they are withdrawn.

THE INSURANCE BILL.

LONDON, December 20th.

An uproarious meeting of doctors was held at Queen's Hall, the meeting including some of the most prominent medical men. A resolution was carried by which they decided not to accept posts under the Insurance Bill until their demands are satisfied. Sir V. A. Horsley endeavoured to explain the moderate views held by the Medical Association, but was shouted down.

EGYPTIAN TROOPS IN TRIPOLI.

LONDON, December 20th.

Reuter's agency states that there are no grounds for the exaggerated reports regarding the despatch of Egyptian troops to Sollum Barka which was merely due to the recent decision of the Egyptian Government to establish a frontier post at Sollum within the Egyptian boundary.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, December 20.h.

The death is announced in New York, of Mr. John Bigelow, a distinguished member of the American diplomatic service.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

December 19th.

SHAMEEN NEWS.

Things are beginning to hum in the social sphere in Shameen and function will succeed function with delirious rapidity during the next few weeks. A start is to be made on Friday, when a ball is to be given by the Bachelor Taipans of the island.

On Boxing Day sports are being held on the recreation ground, while a performance is to be given in the theatre at night by the Amateur Dramatic Society; and arrangements are well forward for the British Bachelors' Ball on New Year's night.

Christmas Day is nearly upon us now, and if the *Cleveland* tourists favour us with a visit on Tuesday or Wednesday, things ought to be lively.

The Tennis Championship has produced many exciting and interesting tussles, and the competition has now reached the semi-final stage. The four players left are, Messrs. Bent, Comrie, Sadoine and Thorne.

WONG SI LUN.

Rumours have been current lately of the resignation of Wong Si Lun, who was expected to take supreme command of the army here, and yesterday a meeting was held of the most important commercial people in Canton to present an address to him, requesting him to take over the position and keep order in the province. A telegram was also received by the Governor from some Chinese merchants in Hongkong requesting him to retain the services of Mr. Wong as military adviser. To-day the Chinese newspapers report ambiguously that he has gone to Hongkong. Whether he has resigned or gone on business does not appear. Misplaced or not as the case may be, certain it is that great confidence is placed in Wong Si Lun, and backed by this he has every chance to keep order in the city and suburbs at least.

RIVER AND CITY QUIET.

No news of any robberies or piracies in the delta have come to hand for several days, and it would seem that the patrolling of the river, together with the distribution of troops in the affected areas and the exodus of "Volunteers" for the North is having the desired effect for the present. On the new Bund along the river front are still quartered hundreds of soldiers with their headquarters at the Admiralty, and in open spaces here and there newly-enlisted troops are to be seen daily being initiated into the intricacies of military drill and discipline. Everything is quiet, and apart from this the streets present their usual appearance.

OBITUARY.

The death occurred very suddenly at Lung Shan of the Rev. Dr. Greene, of the American Baptist Mission. Dr. Greene was a native of South Carolina and was the oldest missionary in China, having been out here for more than forty years. He appeared in his usual high-spirits on Saturday, but died very suddenly at the tiffin table. The mission field in China is very much the poorer by his loss.

WEDDINGS IN HONGKONG.

LEASK—BEATON.

The marriage of Mr. William Laughton Leask, of Hongkong, to Miss A. E. Mabel Beaton, M.A., daughter of Mr. W. L. Beaton of Perth, Scotland, and niece of Dr. Alexander Rennie, formerly of Hongkong, was solemnised in St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon. The bride wore a handsome dress was of rich ivory satin with new panel train, adorned with a lover's knot of orange blossom and heather, a veil, and a wreath of orange blossom and heather spray. She carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums and white heather. The bridesmaids—Misses Joyce and Dorothy Holycak—were charmingly attired in long dresses of pale pink satin, with white chiffon fichus, large hats of pink satin lined with white chiffon, pink roses and wide strings, pink satin shoes and white mittens, and they carried posies of pink roses. The marriage service was conducted by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, Chaplain of the Cathedral, and Mr. Deaman Fuller presided at the organ. Mr. P. H. Holycak gave away the bride, and Mr. Alfred Bryer was "best man." The Cathedral had been prettily decorated for the occasion with palms and other greenery and flowers by Mrs. Coppin and Mrs. Smyth. The reception took place at "Capsuimun," Barker Road, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Holycak, and was largely attended. The happy pair, standing under a huge marriage bell made of greenery and chrysanthemums, received the felicitations of their friends and subsequently the usual toasts were honoured, the health of the Bride and Bridegroom being proposed by Mr. Holycak. Mr. Bryer acknowledged the toast of the Bridesmaids, and Mr. Ough proposed the health of Mr. and Mrs. Holycak.

The wedding gifts formed a large and handsome collection. The bride's going-away dress was of grey silk crêpe, sealskin toque with stole and muff to match.

KINGHORN—KENNEDY.

A pretty wedding took place at the Union Church yesterday morning, the contracting parties being Miss Jean Shepherd Kennedy, daughter of the late Mr. John Kennedy, Causeway Bay, and Mr. John Richard Kinghorn. The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. David Kennedy, and was attended by her sisters, Miss Kate Kennedy and Miss Maude Kennedy, as bridesmaids. Mr. S. G. Bolden was "best man." The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Hickling, and Mr. Chapman presided at the organ. The reception was held at the Grand Hotel, and the happy couple subsequently left for Macao.

THE REVOLUTION.

THE SITUATION DESCRIBED.

A correspondent from the North sends us the following account of the state of affairs on the Yangtsze:

General Ling, the commander of the Revolutionary Forces, entered Nanking at 11 o'clock on Saturday morning, December 2nd. For several days previous his forces had been gradually surrounding the ancient capital of China, and when by the bravery of his troops he occupied Purple Hill on the afternoon of the 1st December it was obvious that it was only a matter of time for Nanking to fall. The fighting at Purple Hill was of a desperate character, the Imperialists not hoisting the white flag until the Revolutionaries were practically within bayonet thrust of their entrenchments.

General Chang, the Manchu commander of Nanking, escaped during the night with most of the Manchus who had not previously fled, and left the control of the situation to a purely Chinese colonel, who afterwards surrendered himself and all his forces to the Revolutionaries.

A careful search is being made up and down the river for General Chang, and it is generally believed that if he be captured his life will certainly not be spared. His actual position is rather obscure, though it is generally supposed that he escaped over the Pukow and Tientsin Railway.

The surrender of the city was made quite peaceably. Very few people lost their lives, and those who did were mostly looters taking advantage of the peculiar situation in the Manchu district of Nanking. It is estimated by those in a position to make reliable computation that about one thousand men killed and wounded on either side was the toll of human life for this great victory for the progressive Chinese of the South against the conservative forces of the North. This surrender practically sounds the knell of the Manchu dynasty.

Immediately on the fall of this stronghold the river fleet formerly under the command of Admiral Sah divided into two columns. The smaller vessels returned to Chinkiang, presumably to help to guard the celebrated Silver Island Channel against attempt on the part of war vessels still attached to the Peking Government from entering the river, while the larger cruisers steamed full speed up the river to assist the great leader at Wuchang, General Yuan Hung, in his desperate attempt to recapture Hangyang and probably to end this thrilling episode in Chinese history.

At Hankow, however, probably owing to the effect of conflicting reports upon both the Imperialist and the Revolutionary authorities, an armistice of fifteen days has been agreed upon in the hope that some satisfactory solution of the exceedingly difficult problem of Chinese government may be arrived at. Few, if any, think that peace will be the outcome, as the cardinal principle of the Revolutionaries is the complete abdication of the Manchu dynasty, and the Imperialists consider this impossible.

The capture of Hanyang Hill was not so bloody as was at first thought, the revised estimates being not more than a thousand killed on either side. The hill would probably not have been captured had fresh troops from Wuchang been ready to relieve the exhausted revolutionary soldiers who for four days courageously kept the Imperialist forces at bay.

The Imperialists are placing six-inch siege guns on the top of Han Hill to batter down the town of Wuchang opposite it on the other side of the Yangtsze-kiang, and General Li is occupying entrenched positions with the rebels at the back of the town and just clear of the artillery fire.

The position is actually one of stalemate, and it is difficult to see how for some time either side will be able to make any move.

TERRIBLE SCENES IN PAKHOI.

THE REIGN OF BRIGANDS.

The following extract from a private letter from Pakhoi, dated December 8, has been communicated to the *N.-C. Daily News*:—

It has been unusually exciting down here of late, as we have been in the hands of brigands and pirates and the whole district has been looted. You can imagine what a harvest these times are to the scoundrels, who have now plundered, looted and burned down a greater portion of each city in the district. Linchow City has, perhaps, fared the worst, for in addition to being plundered by some 5,000 brigands, the place was burned down and hundreds of women ravished. . . . . , it was most pitiful to see the best class of Chinese ladies, panic-striken, endeavouring to walk to Pakhoi on their small feet, where they were again brutalized on the road, and on arrival here begging protection from door to door. Foreign houses are the only safe refuges here and hundreds are begging to be allowed in.

Pakhoi is also in the hands of brigands. All shops have closed doors, and looting is going on in open day. The merchants have hired a great number of sampans in which to store cargo. These sampans are then anchored far out in the harbour, but it makes no difference, they are pirated just the same. Different bands of brigands are constantly coming in and going off again with loot. Yesterday a band of brigands captured about twenty-five girls here and carried them off. Later the scoundrels were attacked by a stronger band of brigands who killed a lot of the first band, including some of the girls, who were later brought back to Pakhoi on wheel-barrows, dead. And executions—that's the order of the day now. Witnessed six being despatched three days ago. It was a sickening sight. . . . .

The scene has changed now, for the two victims yesterday were not executed, but shot, and you may judge the strength of the firing party when I tell you that ten guns were unable to despatch one man. One shot tearing away a portion of the face, another smashing up the knee, another a portion of the arm, and so on, and the poor wretch was left writhing on the ground in agony. Wholesome, is it not?

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

THE DEMANDS OF THE PARTIES.

The following extracts from a letter received at Shanghai from Peking are published in the *N.-C. Daily News* :—

Since the abdication of the Prince Regent political events have been moving rapidly. This abdication seems to be one of the first instalments by Yuan to Li Yuan-hung which had to be granted before any real negotiations could be of any value to the two parties and the country in general.

PRELIMINARY PROPOSALS.

Other demands are stated to be as follow :

1. The removal of General Feng Kuo-chang from Hanyang. (This has been granted and in the Edict he appears as being delegated to Chabar—or Chakhary, *i.e.*, on the north border of Chili—and I think, with his headquarters at Lamamiao).

(It is noted he goes without his new title of Baron, and as to the office, it is generally quarters at Lamamiao.)

2. The removal of the court to Jehol. You will remember that I mentioned in one of my letters the significant appointment of Ex-Vicéroy Hsi Liang to that city as Governor. Under ordinary conditions this appointment would be looked upon as the shelving of an official; but with the expectation of the Empress-Dowager's court being transferred to that city, this office is magnified.

3. The members of the last Cabinet to be punished, from Prince Ching downwards, and also some of the Viceroys, including Jui Cheng and Chao Erh-feng (Szechuan), etc.

Yuan Shih-kai has stated repeatedly, that, failing what he has already offered the opposing party, he had something to offer them which would probably satisfy them, and during these few weeks of *pourparlers*, which have undoubtedly been going on between these two principal men, Yuan has come to the conclusion that in the face of their victory at Hanyang all the odds were against him. He has been effectively blocked in his endeavours to secure foreign loans, the dependencies are well nigh slipping through their fingers, if not into the hands of foreign Powers, at least becoming autonomous counties, and, if in that position they should be worried overmuch by the Peking authorities, they might claim to be protected by some neighbouring Power.

DELEGATES AND DEMANDS.

With the first and second demand satisfied, the selection of delegates to go to Wuchang was soon completed, being led by such men as Tang Shao-yi, as President, and Yen Hsiu, Minister of Posts and Communications, and Yang Shih-chi, Minister of Finance, and with them twenty-one delegates representing the twenty-one provinces, including the three eastern ones, and also Si Yu, representing Mongolia. In the Shanghai papers Tang Shao-yi is usually put down for the Minister of Posts and Communications, but this is not so in reality. He was not mentioned in the new Cabinet, but it was understood that when he appeared on the scene an important post would be given him, either the one just mentioned or in the Waiwupu. But he has accepted none, having found for himself more important duties to perform just now.

Tang Shao-yi goes to meet the revolutionary party armed with full plenipotentiary powers, and as such untrammelled, for once in history, by the court and its satellites.

He carries the following demands stated in three paragraphs :

1. The Emperor shall be maintained upon the Throne, but the authority shall be in the hands of the President of the Council.

2. The President of the Council shall be elected by the people and shall have the same prerogative as a President of a Republic.

3. Upon these conditions the autonomy of the provinces shall be recognized.

Li Yuan-hung's demands are :

1. The Chinese Republic shall be proclaimed.

2. China shall no longer be the "Ta Ching Kwoh" but the "Chung Hua Kwoh" (the Middle Flower Kingdom).

3. The Sovereign shall remain Emperor only of Tibet, Manchuria and Mongolia.

THE STRONG HAND.

Momentous changes have taken place in Peking since the Yuan Cabinet have taken over affairs, the result of the natural working of constitutional principles.

The pension to the Manchus will cease automatically with the coffers for that purpose empty, and would have ended ere this but for the seasonable assistance of Prince Ching and others who gave sufficient funds to last two months. It will thus end in about one month. It is thought that this good deed of the Prince saved the city serious troubles at a time when the people were very apprehensive.

Yuan Shih-kai's strong hand was felt in the Government offices in that all those who fled from their offices in a state of panic were discharged, and the salaries of the great company who think it a small thing to show themselves but seldom in office were docked.

Cheng Kuei-lung, Viceroy of Chili, wrote to Yuan Shih-kai asking that General Chang Hsün, of Nanking, should be effectively stopped from coming north, as this barbarian butcher and his wild men of the Hunghutze class were bent on pillaging and looting the innocent people, and that this brute's favourite pastime was of that character.

CORRESPONDENCE.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—Sir Hiram Maxim attacks Christianity because (among other reasons) he think it is illogical.

We have therefore a right to expect that the statements in and the wording of any article by him should be scrupulously exact.

His letter in to-day's issue does not fulfill this expectation. He says that the missionaries do not like either Truth or Logic. How can he expect so vague a statement to be refuted?

How can he substantiate so vague a statement? He says that the greater number of the Chinese are extremely intelligent; how then can the missionaries be a source of great danger? That Christianity is founded on talking snakes etc. is half truth, or less than half the truth. He says that less than 10 per cent of our people at home do not believe in Christianity.

Can this be substantiated? If not, it has no value as an argument.

Finally I, for one, have no cause for complaint if the Chinese judge the British nation by her missionaries.

EDWARD WISE.

Hongkong, Dec. 20th.

AN ARREST IN THE MALAY STATES.

YAP HON CHIN *v.* G. L. JONES-PARRY AND WILLIAM COWAN.

An appeal from an order of the Court of Appeal of Selangor in the Federated Malay States of February 5, 1910, affirming a decision of the Judicial Commissioner at Kuala Lumpur was before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on the 24th ult.

Mr. C. P. Sanger appeared for the appellant; and Mr. Duke, K.C., and Mr. Walter Lloyd for the respondents.

The suit was in the nature of an action for wrongful imprisonment and the use of executive powers negligently without reasonable or probable cause.

The appellant—a gentleman of means—was born in Malacca and is a British subject. At Puda, in the Malay States, there is a large Chinese temple, where some of the priests or monks claimed to be under Divine influence and gave *séances* or oracles to persons seeking advice as to their health or their commercial prospects. On July 27, 1909, the appellant went with some friends in his motor-car to the temple and took part in a ceremony in connection with a charm against sickness. At that time the respondent Mr. G. L. Jones-Parry was Chief Police Officer, and Mr. W. Cowan was Acting Protector of Chinese at Selangor. The police appeared to have been under the impression that the temple was the headquarters of a secret society, and on the day in question they made a raid upon it amid much native excitement.

Immediately afterwards Mr. Jones-Parry laid a written information against the appellant to the British Resident under the provisions of the Banishment Enactment, 1909, and Mr. Cowan arrested him on a warrant in connection with the disturbance in the temple. He was confined in gaol from July 27 until August 11, when he was liberated on bail. An inquiry was subsequently held *in camera* before the Resident, but no charge was ever made against the appellant, who thereupon brought an action against the two respondents for false imprisonment, claiming $5,000 damages. The suit was dismissed, with costs, and on appeal the Court of Appeal affirmed that result.

Mr. Sanger, on behalf of the appellant, now submitted on the facts that the appellant had substantiated his allegation that the respondents had acted either maliciously or negligently and without probable cause, and was therefore entitled to a verdict.

Counsel for the respondents were not called on.

JUDGMENT.

Lord Macnaghten, in delivering their Lordships' judgment, said the action was brought in respect of the appellant's arrest under the provisions of the Banishment Enactment, 1909, in force in the Federated Malay States. Section 18, subsection ii. of that Enactment provided that :—"In every action so brought it shall be expressly alleged that the defendant acted either maliciously or negligently and without reasonable or probable cause, and if at the trial the plaintiff shall fail to prove such allegation, judgment shall be given for the defendant." The learned counsel for the appellant had read the substance of the evidence and their Lordships entirely failed to find in it any proof that the respondents acted as alleged.

The evidence was very clearly summarized by Mr. Justice Ebden in the Court of Appeal in these words :—"The evidence brought by the appellant in support of his claim consists merely of the statement of his mother that he was born in British territory, and of his own description of his arrest, his denial of the existence of any evidence against him, and his profession of ignorance as to the reason for his arrest. Mere innocence has been laid down, as pointed out by the learned Chief Judicial Commissioner, to be not even *prima facie* proof of want of reasonable and probable cause, the burden of which proof lay on the appellant in accordance with the terms of the Enactment. I cannot see that the appellant has done anything to discharge the onus."

Their Lordships felt that the appellant had not satisfied the burden of proof imposed by the Enactment and they would therefore humbly advise his Majesty to dismiss the appeal, with costs.

THE CORNER IN SILVER.

A London paper of the 25th ult. says :—The group which is manipulating the Silver Market have cornered the market for over a fortnight, with the result that the immediate quotation for the metal is about ¾d. per ounce above that for forward delivery. Such a condition of things is quite unnatural, and means that the bull party have caught the bears short of the metal for immediate delivery at an awkward moment. Regarding the struggle between these two groups of operators there is little to say, as in all probability they are able to take care of themselves. Meantime business in the market is rendered difficult for ordinary dealers, and as a result of the squeeze a good deal of silver has been shipped from China to India. Underlying the campaign in favour of higher prices for the white metal is the belief that the Indian Government will have this season to come in and buy silver for coinage purposes. At this time of the year no one can afford to be dogmatic about such an event, and no doubt the holding of silver in the Indian Currency Department, which is now only about 23½ crores against some 30 crores at the corresponding period last year, is a point in favour of such a view. But it should be remembered that the present total added to the 3 crores in the Gold Standard Reserve, is still important, and that recent arrivals of gold in India have led to considerable additions to the note issue, which notes have been retained in circulation. Another factor, which is apt to be ignored in considering the matter, may prove of weight, and that is the large balances held by the Indian Treasury. At the end of October these amounted to over 16 crores, which if 5 crores are considered to be in the shape of notes, still leaves 11 to 12 crores in silver rupees, and it would be quite possible for the Government, as it has done before, to transfer some of the gold from the Currency Department in exchange for silver rupees. Those well informed consider that quite 3 to 4 crores could be so transferred out of the present total, and these balances usually increase from this time.

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIR.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, November 29.

A WINDFALL FOR A MESSENGER.

As a result of the final appeal to the Court of Appeal in Berlin an ordinary office messenger wins through to a legacy of close on a million, left to him by an eccentric millionaire merchant named Heinrich Moersel, who died in 1908 at Kiaochow. Moersel was a native of Danzig who went into the China trade, married a Chinese wife and amassed a fortune. But back in Berlin he had several relatives, and, as he had made up his mind to leave his wealth in German hands, he made prolonged inquiries as to the worthiest member of the Moersel family. When he heard that this office messenger earned only fifteen shillings a week, yet managed to maintain out of that a widowed mother and two invalid sisters, he selected him as the recipient of the property. Immediately, as in human nature it was inevitable, all the other relatives set to work to contest the will. They entered a plea that it was irregular and based their arguments on the fact that another document referred to the will as a "copy." This other document was in English, and while the relatives contended that the word meant that the will was not the original document, the defending lawyer argued that the word was used loosely by one who was not English and meant also "duplicate" or "specimen." In that sense it merely indicated that the millionaire had taken the precaution to have a duplicate copy. This view the Court of Appeal has taken and the messenger and his sisters and mother are now happy in their unexpected fortune.

A DRY DOCK FOR ESQUIMAULT.

I hear that financial arrangements are about to be completed by the British Marine Coal Company of Esquimalt for starting in the Spring the construction of the largest dry dock on the north American continent. It is to be built at Lang's Cove, adjoining the shipbuilding yards at Esquimalt. The new dock will have a length of 1,000 feet, a width of 100 feet and a depth of thirty-six feet. It will thus be almost exactly of the same dimensions as the new graving dock at Southampton, which is at present the largest in the world. Plans have been drawn for this Esquimalt dry dock especially to suit Admiralty requirements. It will be able to accommodate two cruisers at a time, of if necessary, a Dreadnought and a cruiser at the same time. It shows the changes in the Pacific are affecting the whole range of naval affairs. It is only ten years ago that the Admiralty abandoned Esquimalt, yet to-day the approaching completion of the Panama Canal and the growth of the power of Japan, to say nothing of the awakening of China, have made it imperative for Canada to have developed facilities for both naval and mercantile vessels.

HERR VON LINDEQUIST, TOURIST.

After Herr Dernburg, so Herr von Lindequist, the resigned German Colonial Secretary, is to take the world tour, according to a correspondent in Berlin. Herr von Lindequist resigned because he disagreed with the settlement of affairs in the Moroccо crisis the other day. Thereupon he decided to wait his time for a reappearance in politics and in the meantime to go agathering facts on a long trip, taking special note of British colonial administration, even as Dernburg did when he quitted the Colonial Office before him. So it is very likely you will see Herr von Lindequist in your corner of the world ere long.

Herr Dernburg is now at the head of a great electrical trust that aims at the electrification of the German railways. When Herr von Lindequist has exhausted his "travel lust" he can return, if he so wills, to take a seat on the board of the same organisation.

CHINESE PORK.

Though the Local Government Board medical officer has given Chinese pork a clean bill of health, that peculiar organ of public opinion, *John Bull*, run by the one and only Horatio Bottomley, seeks to keep the unsavoury discussion alive. The last issue of the paper says :—"The Local Government Board authority, who is so enthusiastic about Chinese pig as an article of diet in this country, may be interested in the experience of a reader who served for some time on a gunboat up the Yangtse-kiang. He says the sight of pigs eating drowned Chinamen, near the Woosung forts, put him and others off pork. Up river the pig was no better. The animals wandered at will through the streets and ate all the garbage they could find. One of the punishments thereabouts is that after a man has been executed he is chopped up into small pieces and scattered all over the city for the pigs and dogs to eat. Our correspondent adds—'Chinese chickens get their living in the same way, and they are also coming home, I hear.' Lord ha' massy on us." There seems to me to be a good deal of the fat boy in Pickwick about that correspondent.

FINANCIAL ENTERPRISE IN CHINA.

A message from Berlin to a financial office here bears out the report that the German banks have fallen in with the view of the financial houses of the rest of Europe that no further financial assistance should be given to the Chinese government till peace is restored and a stable government established in Peking. For some time there was an element of doubt about the decision of the Germans, so the message has given great satisfaction as clearing the air and showing absolute unanimity in Europe.

THE NEAR EAST.

And indeed financial houses have need to be cautious of foreign enterprises just now. There is still ample room for developments out of the Turco-Italian war in Tripoli and many are disposed to think well of Turkey's chances. But, apart from that, there are dangerous signs afloat as to further extension of the area of disturbance. Greece has sent a strong remonstrance to the Italian government against the presence of Italian warships in Greek and neighbouring waters, and several instances have been given of Greek vessels being interfered with. True, Greece is not likely to aid the Turk, but in the dangerous state of opinion in Greece, where the Cretan question continues to inflame the public mind, a very little added heat would set them going on the Turkish frontier with results that would set the whole of the Near East in a blaze.

CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA.

Then in Southern Russia there is such woeful want this winter that the peasants are just simmering with discontent. Yet the authorities, who know very well that hundreds of thousands are starving and just waiting for death, have stopped the newspapers mentioning the famine and ordered the organisers of concerts to desist from their plans, because the "famine has not yet been officially registered." That in spite of the fact that in some districts of the south the poor people are eating dogs and the bark of trees. The ultra-Conservative *Novoe Vremya* sees danger ahead, for it predicts next year will bring a gigantic peasant upheaval. Agitators, says the paper, are going among the peasants telling them the Czar will soon give them all the land they want in Russia, to celebrate the centenary of Napoleon's defeat on Russian soil. Not content with this, the revolutionaries are using the present famine as a tool, to stir up sedition, even in the army. The article winds up with an attack on the Jews, who are accused of being the prime instigators of the unrest. The constitutionalists are indignant over the article and declare it is merely intended to create a false impression, so that the government may carry through a number of reactionary measures. There is at least some basis for the agitators' tales, however, for the Czar's estates in the South, that form part of his private property, are to be sold. They are in the south east and are understood to be well farmed, but so overrun with officials and stewards of all sorts as to eat up most of the revenue. Anyway it looks as though the Czar, anticipating trouble, meant to turn a doubtful landed property into solid cash. The only difficulty is that a great many other landowners are doing the same, so it is likely that the price of land will be low for some time. If, however, the experiment pays, the Crown lands in the Caucasus will probably be dispersed shortly after.

TIBET.

There is a good deal of fear here that the Chinese revolt may be felt as far as Tibet, Abors is also to be counted as an exciting cause on the frontiers to the north of India. I understand that the British Minister in Peking has been instructed to advise the Chinese Government against the scheme they had in mind for making a new province out of part of Eastern Tibet and part of Szechuan.

EXPLORATION IN FORMOSA.

Mr. Walter Goodfellow, who was leader of the recent British expedition to the Snow Mountains of Dutch New Guinea, has set out for an exploration trip in the island of Formosa, where he hopes to capture some live specimens of rare birds from the highlands of the interior. It is a trip with risks in it, but it is stated here that the Japanese government will provide an armed escort, for they have already known Mr. Goodfellow as an explorer in the island. Certain collectors and zoological gardens are keen to have specimens from that quarter.

PERSONAL.

Your Attorney-General, Mr. Rees Davies, will soon be at Hongkong again, for I understood from him when I met him the other day that he will sail from Marseilles by P. and O. boat on December 8. He has had a very pleasant vacation, and though he was adamant in his refusal to enlighten me as to the business side of his doings while at home, I have reason to believe from what I have heard elsewhere that his stay in England has not been without results favourable to Hongkong.

IRISH LANDOWNERS.

It would appear that some of the landowners of Ireland, believing that Home Rule is close at hand, are taking steps to get clear of Ireland rather than live under a Parliament in Dublin. I hear that one of the first to make arrangements is the Duke of Devonshire, who owns some forty thousand acres round Waterford. According to my information he has instructed estate agents in Dublin and London to be on the look out for a suitable tenant in the event of Home Rule materialising. Several others who were expected to be more cordial to the change have disappointed the Nationalists by showing signs of similar plans. Among them is the Duchess of Manchester, daughter of Mr. Zimmerman, the Cincinnati railroad man. One interesting fact remains to be stated while on this topic. When the Union was effected the English Government applied to Baron Orial, the last Speaker of the Dublin House of Parliament, to hand over the mace and Speaker's chair. But the Baron declined, stating that he had received them from an Irish legislature and only to an Irish legislature would he return them. The descendant of the Baron, Lord Massereene, still owns them, though for some years they have been lodged in the National Museum in Dublin. It remains to be seen whether the Lord Massereene of to-day will carry out the promise of his ancestor to return the relics to the national chamber. The table from the House is in a far less dignified store room—it forms part of the furniture of an antique dealer's store in Dublin.

BRITAIN'S FOREIGN POLICY.

The explanation of foreign policy made by Sir Edward Grey on Monday night in the House has satisfied everybody except the extreme Radicals, who were the critics of the "secrecy of the Foreign Office." France is satisfied with the declaration as a proof of loyalty to the entente cordiale; Germany can find nothing in it that can cause any thrills. In a nutshell, the declaration is that England will be friendly to all, but not at the expense of old friends—obviously France. Optimists are again talking of an understanding between Germany and England. But it is hard to see how that can come about in these uneasy days, when the conflicting interests of the two nations, especially in commerce, touch at so many delicate points. It is becoming acknowledged on all hands, however, that the Kaiser is the friend of peace between the Germans and the English—a very different conception to that which pictured him as the great War Lord—the owner of the mailed fist that made the council board of Europe rattle so ominously from time to time. And so, though we hope, we are not yet convinced. Nor are the small nations of Europe. With treaties being broken and territories being grabbed almost daily, the small countries are more nervous than ever before of their powerful neighbours, and so we have Belgium reorganising her defences in haste out of the chaotic condition in which the recent crisis found them, Holland passing a measure to increase the army, Switzerland looking askance at the designs of Italy, and Spain planning once more the revival of her navy.

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The Marconi company has just installed in Italy the most powerful wireless installation in the world, that can connect at will with Glacé Bay in Canada or Clifden in Ireland.

ARRESTS ON THE HIGH SEAS.

A curious situation has arisen in German shipping circles over the demand of the Foreign Office to the effect that the steamship lines should instruct their captains on the high seas to arrest persons for whose arrest a warrant has been issued, the notice to do so being received by wireless. All the companies, I hear, with the exception of the North German Lloyd, have decided to comply with the request, but that company, strengthened by the opinion of a well-known authority in international law, takes the view that a shipmaster is not an official of the Public Prosecutor's Department, and has no power to detain a passenger, unless it be for an offence committed on board. It therefore refuses to instruct its captains to act in the manner desired. So far as I can gather, no similar action is yet contemplated in this country, though the idea has occurred to the law officers since the notorious arrest of Dr. Crippen with the aid of a wireless message.

RUBBER COMPANY REPORTS.

The revenue of the JAVA RUBBER PLANTATIONS for the year ended September 30, after providing £200 for depreciation of buildings, shows a balance of £4,137, which, with £631 brought forward, makes a total of £4,768. The directors recommend a dividend of 10 per cent., less tax, leaving £1,504 to be carried forward.

The profits of the KUALA LUMBUP RUBBER COMPANY for the year ended June 30 amounted to £117,420, as against £150,903 for the previous year, to which has to be added £3,157 brought forward, making a total of £120,677. The directors recommend a final dividend of 27½ per cent., free of tax, and propose to make a further transfer of £15,000 to reserve, increasing it to £40,000 leaving £2,076 to be carried forward. Capital expenditure has been heavy during the year, partly owing to the development of the new land of which the purchase was announced in last year's report.

The report of TAIPING RUBBER PLANTATIONS for the period ended September 30 states that the output of dry rubber amounted to 52,887lb. It was affected by the protracted drought, but for which Mr Boyd's estimate for 1910-11 of 55,000lb, as given in the prospectus, would have been exceeded. At the end of the period under review 50,000 trees were being tapped and a further number were being opened up. The manager estimates the output for the current year at 100,000lb. The profit and loss account, after writing off £572 on account of depreciation of buildings, machinery, &c., and making provision for income-tax, manager's and assistant's commissions, shows a balance of £4,492, which the directors propose to carry forward.

RESCUE AT SEA.

CAPTAIN OF THE "BENVORLICH" HONOURED.

The British steamer *Benvorlich*, on her way from Kobe to Yokohama, rescued two shipwrecked Japanese in the Kii Channel on June 19th last. The men having been brought to Yokohama, Governor Sufu reported the particulars to the Tokyo Government. Captain David T. Cally, of the *Benvorlich*, has now been decorated by the Imperial Bureau of Decorations with the Medal of the Red Ribbon in recognition of chivalrous service rendered in spite of the heavy seas sweeping his vessel at the time. The medal was handed by Governor Sufu, at the Kencho, to a representative of Messrs. Cornes & Co., of Yokohama, local agents of the line, with a request that it be handed over to the Captain.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [1455

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E. V. JESSEN,
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Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [1456

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Pakhoi, den 16. Dezember 1911. [1458

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of CHARLES HENRY DUNCAN MORLAND, late of Kakchiok, Swatow in the Empire of China, Medical Surgeon, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of the Probate Ordinance, 1897, made an Order limiting the time for sending in the Claims against the above Estate to the 20th day of January, 1912.

All Creditors are accordingly hereby required to send in their Claims to the Undersigned on or before that date.

Dated this 2 th day of December, 1911.

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1459] of the above-named deceased.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [1

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THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

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No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No Claims will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on FRIDAY, the 29th inst., afternoon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown, and examination of same to be arranged.

All Claims must be filed on or before FRIDAY, the 5th January, otherwise they will not be recognised.

K. MATSDA,
Agent.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1911. [1451

FROM EUROPE.

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THE BANK transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on Daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

12 months 4% per annum.
6 do. 3½% do.
3 do. 3% do.

C. WOLDRINGH, Manager,
No. 8, Des Vœux Road Central.

Hongkong, 15th August, 1909. [24

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED "	1,125,000
PAID UP "	562,000
RESERVE FUND	325,000

HEAD OFFICE:
40, Threadneedle Street,
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BRANCHES:

Bombay.	Galle.
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Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Stocks, and Shares bought and sold on account of Constituents. Letters of Credit granted on Agents and Correspondents all over the world.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits as under:—

For 3 months 2½ per cent. per annum.
6 " 3½ " " " "
12 " 4 " " " "

F. C. MACDONALD,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1911. [938

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application. INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balance $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th January, 1911. [20

BANKS

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	£1,200,000
RESERVE FUND	£1,625,000
RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS.....	£1,200,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent
" " for 6 " 3½ " "
" " for 3 " 2½ " "

WM. DICKSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1911. [148

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP	Gold $3,250,000
RESERVE FUND	Gold $3,250,000
	Gold $6,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: 60 Wall Street, New York.
LONDON OFFICE: 36 Bishopsgate.

LONDON BANKERS:
BANK OF ENGLAND.
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LD.
THE CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives money on Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 per cent. per annum.
For 6 " 3½ " "
For 3 " 3 " "

GEORGE HOGG,
Manager,
No. 9, Queen's Road, Central

Hongkong, 21st February, 1911. [1237

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER).

Capital	Yen 10,000,000
Capital Subscribed (paid up) ...	Yen 6,250,000
Reserve Fund	Yen 2,620,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amoy	Swatow	Tainan
Anping	Kobe	Tamsui
Canton	Nagasaki	Tokyo
Foochow	Osaka	Yokohama
Keelung	Shanghai	

HONGKONG OFFICE:
3, DES VŒUX ROAD.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts Deposits received on terms which may be had on application.

K. TSUDZURABARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1911. [1316

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....	Yen 48,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....	Yen 30,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....	Yen 17,150,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies at

Antung-Hsien	Liao-Yang	Ryojun (Port Arthur)
Bombay	London	San Francisco
Changchun	Lyons	Shanghai
Dairen (Dalny)	Nagasaki	Tiehling
Fengtien (Mukden)	Newchwang	Tientsin
Hankow	New York	Tokyo
Honolulu	Osaka	
Kobe	Pekin	

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS

Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 25th September, 1911. [441

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:—	
STERLING £1,500,000 at 2/—	$15,000,000
SILVER	$16,750,000
	$31,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS	$15,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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MANAGER:
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LONDON BANKERS:
LONDON COUNTY AND WESTMINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 5th October 1911. [19

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LD.

NOTICE.

ON and from the 1st January, 1912, the Price of GAS to the Public will be REDUCED to $2.60 per 1,000 cubic feet.

By Order of the Directors,

GEORGE CURRY,
Local Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1911. [1322

HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

ST. GEORGE'S BUILDINGS.

NOTICE,

THE extension of the Electric Light to the Peak District is expected to be completed by about the End of March, 1912.

Intending consumers are advised to have their Houses wired in readiness, to avoid delay in obtaining the light.

The Company are prepared to submit estimates for Wiring Houses on application.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1911. [1432

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY,
(BRITISH SECTION.)

NOTICE.

THE BRANCH LINE between FANLING and SHEK CHUNG AU (Police Station) will be Opened for Traffic on THURSDAY, 21st instant.

The Line is divided into Four Sections and the Fare will be Five Cents each Section. The Sections are as follows:—

FANLING to KUNG LING	5 Cents.
WO HANG	10 "
SHEK CHUNG AU	15 "
SHA TAU KOK	20 "

The Section between SHEK CHUNG AU and SHA TAU KOK will not be Opened for Traffic until the Beginning of January, 1912.

Tickets will be issued on board the Train.

Trains will be run on the Branch Line in connection with Main Line Trains stopping at Fanling.

For further information regarding freight, &c., apply to Traffic Superintendent, Kowloon.

By Order,

H. P. WINSLOW,
Manager.

Kowloon, 19th December, 1911. [1447

TO LET

TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 4, New Praya, Kennedy Town.

Apply—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1911. [116

TO LET.

OFFICES TO LET: First class, central accomodation, light and airy, on First, Second, or Third Floor in new building being erected for MESSRS. WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & Co., LTD., Entrance from Des Vœux Road. Electric lift to all floors, Electric Light throughout.

The plan can be seen and all particulars obtained at the Offices of,

MESSRS. PALMER & TURNER,
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1911. [1408

TO LET.

Furnished for 10 Months from 13th March next.

CRAGSIDE, BARKER ROAD, PEAK. Tennis Court.

Apply— A. H. SKELTON,
Care of LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1911. [1446

TO LET.

NEW and COMMODIOUS SHOPS, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Immediate Possession. Cheap Rentals.

KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yaumati, Area 85,200 square feet with 255 feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.

Apply to—

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1911. [1222

TO BE LET.

On or about 1st March, 1912.

SHOPS and OFFICE, in Alexandra Buildings, adjoining the Hongkong Dispensary, at present occupied by Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LTD.,
Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, 29th August, 1911. [1077

TO LET.

NO. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (SHOP), opposite The Old Post Office. No. 2A, D'AGUILAR STREET, suitable for Godown, etc.

Lately occupied by Vienna Café & Co.

For Particulars, etc., apply to—

CHANG FAT,
Care of YEE SANG FAT
Same address,
YEE SANG FAT & Co'

Hongkong, 5th October, 1911. [1243

TO LET.

OFFICES in KING'S BUILDING.

Apply to—

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1911. [1423

TO LET.

NO. 9, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE (Shop).

BEACONSFIELD.

"BANGOUR," No. 72, PEAK. 5 Roomed Bungalow with Tennis Court. From 15th Dec. Rent $125.00 and taxes.

"MERION," No. 9, The Peak, 6 ROOMS use of Tennis Court.

RODGATE, near The King's Park, Kowloon

"KELLETT CREST," No. 66, PEAK.

No. 57, PRAYA GRANDE, Macao.

FOR SALE.—THE CREST, at Peak, commanding a Magnificent View of the Harbour and Adjacent Islands.

Apply to— LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1911. [113

EXHAUSTION.

A NEW METHOD OF CURING NEURASTHENIA.

Although Neurasthenia is a term of quite modern use, and embraces a very great number of symptoms, nervous exhaustion is a condition which has long been known.

Among the commonest symptoms are headache, a sense of pressure within the head, sometimes a feeling of cold on the top of the head, and, at others, as if an iron band were pressing into the brain. These sensations are particularly apt to occur when the sufferer endeavours to concentrate his thoughts for a little while. Again, there is marked indigestion and loss of appetite, with pain in the region of the stomach, heartburn, nausea or vomiting, sleeplessness, a feeling of oppression, shortness of breath or palpitation of the heart, nervous twitchings of the hands, and an uncertain gait with pains in the back which, happily, do not mean locomotor ataxy any more than the feeling of pressure on the head denotes softening of the brain, as sufferers invariably fear.

All these nervous sensations are capable of being remarkably improved, and even perfectly cured, by means of Sanatogen. The medical evidence on this point is exceedingly large and overwhelmingly conclusive. In fact, no sufferer from neurasthenia, in whatever form the nervous exhaustion may manifest itself, need have the last cause for despair or even anxiety if only he will take Sanatogen and keep on with it. No more striking proof of its wonderful power can be desired than is set forth by Madame Sarah Grand, the distinguished novelist, who was incapacitated for work for four years by nervous exhaustion, and after taking it three times a day for four months was as well as she had ever been in her life. Here are Madame Sarah Grand's own words:—"Sanatogen has done everything for me which it is said to be able to do for cases of nervous debility and exhaustion. I began to take it, three times a day, after nearly four years' enforced idleness from extreme debility, and now (after only four months) I find myself able to enjoy both work and play again, and also able to do as much of both as I ever did."

Sanatogen can be obtained at all chemists. [105-412

NOTES AND NEWS.

SENTENCED TO CARRY THE BABY.

A Chicago labourer, Patrick Knight, charged by his wife with leaving her without support, has been ordered to return home and walk the floor for two hours each night with his baby in his arms. This odd sentence, the London *Daily Chronicle* says, was passed in the Court of Domestic Relations, which is doing such excellent work in the way of clearing up minor domestic squabbles, and reconciling estranged couples. The neglected wife came to the court with a fine healthy baby in her arms, and as soon as Judge Sabath saw it, he ordered the husband to take the child while he "talked matters over" with the wife. The baby seemed perfectly satisfied with the change, and caressed his father's face, so that the judge promptly said:—"That's better. You can't be such a bad husband and father, so I'll fix you right away. I sentence you to go home with your wife and walk the floor with that baby for two hours every night until December 20. Besides that, you will turn your wages over to your wife every pay day, and on December 20 you can come round here and tell me what kind of Christmas presents you are going to buy for your wife and baby."

A LARGE SUGAR MILL.

The largest mill yet constructed for the crushing of sugar cane has just been completed by Messrs. John M'Neill and Co., of Govan. It can deal with 1,500 tons of cane daily, and has been built to the order of a German firm for work in the Argentine. Altogether the plant weighs about 1,100 tons. It consists of 14 rollers, in the form of a combination of four three-roller mills preceded by a pair of preparatory crusher-rollers. All are connected by gearing, driven by two horizontal steam engines. The preparatory rollers are each 5ft. in diameter and 7ft. in length, and have deep, circumferential and diagonal grooves.

The mill proper consists of the four three-roller mills, with rollers 40in. in diameter and 7ft. in length. The top rollers are fitted with hydraulic appliances at both ends, the rams being 15 in. in diameter and having a working pressure of 1¾ tons per sq. in. The cane carrier for feeding the mill is 200ft. in length, and is driven by a twin-cylinder engine through triple gearing. The speed of the rollers is from 20ft. to 26ft., per minute. The power for driving the full plant is obtained from two single-cylinder, non-condensing steam engines. These have cylinders 32in. in diameter and 60in. stroke, and they are designed for a working pressure of 120lb. per sq. in.

NEW INDUSTRIES AT QUEENSFERRY.

It appears certain that several new industries of an engineering character are to be established at North and South Queensferry. Reference has already been made to the proposals to open a small shipbuilding yard at North Queensferry. These, it is understood, emanate from a well-known West Coast engineering firm. It is now stated that an attempt was made to utilize the disused harbour and old pier known as Port Edgar, situated about a mile west of South Queensferry. They were inspected by the company, but the inspection showed that the expense of dredging away the large accumulation of silt would be too heavy, so the idea of establishing works there was abandoned. It is also stated that the Admiralty officials have been considering the advisability of using Port Edgar as a base for the supplying of oil fuel to warships lying in the Forth. Pipes could be led down to the pier from oil-works situated not very far inland, and the vessels would obtain their fuel much more conveniently than at Granton, whither they go at present. Port Edgar is some distance above the Forth Bridge, and is, therefore, within the protective radius of the new dockyard at Rosyth.

WISHES FOR THE CHANCELLORSHIP.

The first person to ask to have his name registered at the new Labour Exchange at the Cardiff Docks was the Deputy-Lord Mayor of Cardiff. He applied for a post as Chancellor of the Exchequer, stating he had no actual experience of the work. Being a married man, he was willing to accept work at a distance, and his only qualifications were put down as 'Baptist and angler." This card was filled in by Mr. Rey, general manager of Labour Exchanges, who added in the 'remarks" column, "Eminently suitable for the position," and handed the applicant a card, with the intimation that he must call every Wednesday, otherwise his name would be erased from the books. The Deputy-Lord Mayor assured him that he would obey the instructions.

AMERICAN'S VIEW OF THE BRITISHER.

Mr. Ernest H. Stolz, a young American business man, now in London, writing in the *Express* says:—

"As a business man myself it is natural that I should wish to view at close quarters the business methods prevailing on this side, and I feel bound to say that they lose nothing by comparison with our methods at home in the States. I like the British methods of doing business. There is something solid and substantial about them. The solidity of the banking concerns, the railroads, and the great commercial firms is obvious, and makes for a clear and perfect understanding between two great nations. . . . From a business point of view the idea that the Britisher is slow is rapidly being relegated to the beliefs which have been forgotten. During my stay on this occasion, and also when I paid a very brief visit a little while ago, I was very considerably impressed by the clear-headedness combined with the dignified manner in which business was transacted in this country, and I am quite sure all Americans will bear me out when I say that one may go far to find those who will treat one more courteously, fairly, and with stricter regard to business etiquette than is the case in Great Britain. If I were to analyse the matter a little more I should say that the Britisher gets to the goal with less trouble, less fuss, and less work than is usually the case with men, and this must be the reason, in no small degree why it is that the British lead the commerce of the world."

MALACCA RUBBER CAPITAL INCREASE.

In their report for 1910 the directors of the Malacca Rubber Plantations (Limited) state that a great change has recently taken place in planting practice in the sense that the stumping and removal of all old jungle timber is now considered an essential condition of estate management, as it largely ensures immunity from disease and increased economy in the upkeep of the estates.

The whole of the company's planted area of about 15,000 acres has been thus treated. This, the directors point out, has involved a very heavy expenditure during 1910 and the current year, which has been chiefly met out of revenue. In order to adjust this expenditure on capital account arrangements have been made for the issue of 10,000 ordinary shares (of £1 each) at £15 per share, the subscribers having the option for five years of taking four further ordinary shares, at the same price, for each share subscribed.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "LIGHTNING," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 2 P.M. of the 22nd inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE AND PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their goods from alongside, such cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LTD., Agents. Hongkong, 19th December, 1911. [1448

FROM NEW YORK

THE H.A.L. Steamship "ARAGONIA," Captain Meyer, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills-of-Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given TO-DAY.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 18th December, 1921. [1442

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship "PEMBROKESHIRE," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst. at 9 A.M. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, 23rd Dec., at 10.00 A.M. Claims against the Steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD., Agents. Hongkong, 18th December, 1911. [1415

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, FIUME, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship "PERSIA," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

The Steamer brings Cargo from Venice ex s.s. "Metcovich" and "Almissa," transhipped at Trieste. Trieste ex s.s. "Africa," transhipped at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 24th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 23rd inst., at 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 24th inst. will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents, Princes' Building. Hongkong, 17th December, 1911. [3

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS

CHANGCHOW, British str., 1,274, Geo. De Mills, 11th Dec.—Wakamatsu 6th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

CHEONGSHING, British str., 1,223, V. Liddell, 14th Dec.—Tientsin and Weihaiwei 8th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHICAGO MARU, Japanese str., 6,203, I. Goto, 18th Dec.—Tacoma 12th Nov., Flour and General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

CHINHUA, British str., 1,350, W. Benson, 17th Dec.—Shanghai 14th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

CHIYUEN, Chinese str., 1,177, Wm. Jamieson, 10th Dec.—Shanghai 7th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.

DEVAWONGSE, German str., 1,057, E. Gathemann, 17th December—Bangkok 5th and Anghin 8th Dec., Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.

DORTMUND, German str., 5,235, G. Bold, 10th Dec.—Hamburg and Singapore 3rd Dec., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

DRUPAR, Norwegian str., 1,102, J. Bing, 19th Dec.—Bangkok 8th and Swatow 18th Dec., General—Kin Tye Lung.

FRI, Norwegian str., 867, C. Wagle, 17th Dec.—Swatow 16th Dec., General—Angaard, Thoresen & Co.

GLENFALLOCH, British str., 1,434, J. C. Townsend, 17th Dec.—Singapore 10th Dec., General—Joo Taik Sing.

GREGORY APCAR, British str., 2,951, S. H. Belson, 12th Dec.—Moji 8th Dec., Coal and General—David Sassoon & Co.

HANOI, French str., 743, G. Bouhier, 14th Dec.—Haiphong and Pakhoi 12th December, General—A. R. Marty.

HELENE, German str., 771, Beadixen, 16th December—Swatow 15th Dec., General—Jebsen & Co.

HONGKONG, French str., 739, A. Cornelenssen, 10th Dec.—Haiphong 7th Dec., Rice—A. R. Marty.

HOPSANG, British str., 1,359, J. M. Hay, 17th Dec.—from Hainan—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HSIN CHANG, Chinese str., 1,258, F. Hamblin, 16th Dec.—Tientsin and Chefoo 8th Dec., Nuts and General—C. M. S. N. Co.

HUICHOW, British str., 1,217, Hooker, 16th Dec.—Weihaiwei 10th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

HUKE, Japanese str., 6,060, S. Sekino, 19th Dec.—from Bangkok.

HUNAN, British str., 1,143, J. Speed, 13th Dec.—Tientsin and Swatow 12th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

ICHANG, British str., 1,228, R. Lewis, 19th Dec.—Tientsin and Swatow 18th Dec., Nuts—Butterfield & Swire.

INDRA, British str., 3,973, A. S. Graham, 16th Dec., Sabang, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KAIFUKU MARU, Japanese str., 1,903, S. Suda, 12th Dec.—Mororan 1st December, Coal—Order

KALGAN, British str., 1,143, Davis, 17th Dec.—Wakamatsu 11th Dec., Coal—Butterfield & Swire.

KUTSANG, British str., 4,395, R. C. D. Bradley, 19th Dec.—Moji 15th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LIGHTNING, British str., 2,122, E. P. Smith, 19th Dec.—Singapore 12th Dec., General—David Sassoon & Co.

MARIE, German str., 1,169, H. Schlaikier, 18th Dec.—Saigon 12th Dec., General—Jebsen & Co.

NIPPON MARU, Japanese str., 3,452, A. G. Stevens, R.N.R., 12th Dec.—San Francisco 15th Nov., General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

ONSANG, British str., 1,737, Smith, 18th Dec.—Chingwantao 11th Dec., Coal—C. E. & M. Co.

PONGTONG, German str., 928, W. Botefuhr, 10th Dec.—Singapore and Hoihow 8th Dec.—Butterfield & Swire.

SABINE RICKMERS, Dutch str., 573, D. E. Boeve, 14th Dec.—Amoy 13th Dec., Beans oil—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SEVERIC, British str., 4,011, F. S. Cowley, 15th December—Victoria 13th Nov., General—Bank Line.

SITHONIA, German str., 3,544, B. Kolzte, 13th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

TAIKOSAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,994, 17th Dec.—Moji 11th December, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TAISHUN, Chinese str., 1,216, R. G. Paramore, 17th Dec.—Shanghai 14th Dec., Mails and General—C. M. S. N. Co.

TAIYUAN, British str., 1,459, L. Dawson, 18th Dec.—Melbourne 17th Nov., Frozen and General—Butterfield & Swire.

TELEMACHUS, British str., 1,340, Fraser, 16th Dec.—Saigon 10th Dec., General—Wo Fat Sing.

TENYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,268, E. Boat, 19th Dec.—San Francisco 22nd November, Mails and General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

TJIMAHI, Dutch str., 2,740, J. P. Scholsen, 12th Dec.—Batavia 3rd Dec., Sugar and General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TRIUMPH, German str., 769, W. Longschwager, 18th Dec.—Haiphong and Hoihow 17th Dec., Rice and General—Jebsen & Co.

TSINTAU, German str., 1,002, F. Backing, 18th Dec.—Iloilo 14th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

WUCHOW, British str., 1,217, W. French, 16th December—Swatow 15th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

YUENSANG, British str., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 19th Dec.—Manila 16th Dec., Hemp and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

RUBBER SHARES.

SINGAPORE QUOTATIONS.

Singapore, December 2, 1911.

[MESSRS. LYALL AND EVATT'S LIST.]

Nom. Value.	Buyers.	Sellers
2s Allagar	2s9	3s3
2s „ Options	9s	1s6
£1 Anglo-Java	4s	4s9
1 Anglo-Johore	5s3	6s6
2s Anglo-Malay	14s3	15s6 x.d.
£1 Anglo-Sumatra	55s	67s6 x.d.
1 Ayer Kuning	14s 6	21s
1 Banteng	40s	46s
2s Batang Malaka	1s10	2s
£1 Batu Caves	193s9	222s6
1 Batu Tiga	65s	71s3 x.d.
1 Beaufort Borneo	16s3	18s9
1 Bukit Kajang	41s	42s6
1 Bukit Lintang	70s	80s
2s Bukit Mertajam	2s3	2s9
£1 Bukit Rajah	200s	212s6
2s Bukit Selangor 1s3 pd.	1s dis.	s6 dis.
£1 Carey United 5s. pd. ...	5s	8s9 pm.
1 Castlefield	97s6	106s3 x.d.
2s Chersonese	3s	3s6
2s „ options ...	s10½	1s6
2s Chimpul...	1s2	1s3
2s Cicely Ord	27s6	31s6
2s „ Pref	28s	32s
2s Consolidated Malay ...	12s6	14s
£1 Damansara	91s	100s
1 Dennistown	22s6	25s9
2s Ediburgh	8s	9s3
£1 Federated Selangor ...	165s	185s
2s Galang Besar	3s10½	4s6
£1 Golconda	67s6	77s
1 Golden Hope	70s	82s6
1 Hajoop	6s6	7s1½
1 Harpenden	165s	182s6
2s Heawood	4s4	4s11
£1 Highlands & Lowlands	65s	69s10½ x.d.
1 Inch Kenneth	138s9	135s
2s Jasin	1s3	1s4½
£1 Johore R. Lands 10s-pd	5s	10s pm.
1 Jura, ...	10s	13s6
2s Kampong Kwantang ..	9s1½	11s
2s Kamuning 1s. pd ...	2s3	3s pm.
2s „ f.pd... ...	4s4	5s6 x.d.
£1 Kapar Para	117s6	131s3
1 Kepitigalla	9s	10s
£1 Kepong	100s	115s
2s Kota Tinggi	1s11	2s2½
£1 Kuala Lumpur	116s10½	126s
2s Labu (F.M.S.)	8s	8s6 x.d.
£1 Lanadron	61s3	70s x.d.
1 Ledbury f.pd.	50s	60s x.d.
1 „ 12s6 pd.	21s3	29s 9 pm. x.d
2s Linggi Ord.	31s10½	33s9
2s London Asiatic	8s6	9s4
£1 Lumut 16s. pd.	5s9	9s6 pm.
1 Malacca 7½ Pref. ...	203s9	215s
1 „ Ord	215s	225s
1 Malayalam	28s	30s10
2s Merlimau	3s3	3s7½
2s „ Options ...	1s3	1s7
£1 Mount Austin	35s	39s
1 N/Hammock 19s pd.	55s	63s pm.
2s Padang Jawa	2s2	2s6
2s Patalim	3s	3s6
2s Pelepah	3s	4s
2s Perak	5s9	6s9
£1 Permas	16s	20s
2s Port Dickson -s6 pd. ...		s1½ disct.
1 Rembia Pref.	21s3	25s
1 R. Est of Johore 15s pd.	32s6	40s pm.
2s R. Est of Krian ...	2s7	3s
£1 R. Invest Trust 10s pd.	5s3	6s4½ pm.
1 Sagga	175s	200s
1 Sapong	23s	25s
1 Seafield	82s6	91s3
2s Selangor...	37s6	41s1½
£1 Sendayan	25s	30s
£1 Seremban	52s5	57s6
1 Shelford	35s	40s x.d.
1 Sialang	38s4½	42s6
2s Singapore Para	2s6	2s10½ x.d.
2s Straits S. Bertam ...	4s8	4s11
£1 Straits Rubber	82s6	92s6
2s Sumatra Para	7s4½	8s3
£1 Sungei Choh	53s9	67s. x.d.
2s Sungei Kapar	9s3	10s4
£1 Sungei Krian Pref ...	26s3	28s6
1 Sungei Salak	65s	75s
1 Sungei Way...	88s9	100s
1 Tanjong Malim 12s6 pd.		s6 dis 1s-pm.
1 Tangkah Pref	10s	12s6
1 Tebrau	52s6	57s6 x.d.
£1 Tremelbye	85s	95s3
1 United Serdang	87s6	97.6
1 United Sua Betong ...	19s	22s6
2s United Sumatra	5s	6s9
2 United Temisang 1s3 pd.	-s8 dis.	-s6 dis.
2 do f.pd.	1s3	1s5
2 Val d' Or	1s9	2s3
2s Vallambrosa	23s6	25s
2s Yam Seng	6s9	7s7½
$1 Alor Gajah	$1.30	1.35
10 Ayer Hitam	30.00	35 00
1 Ayer Kuning	0.65	0.70
1 Ayer Molek	1.60	1.67½
5 Ayer Panas	4.65	4.80
1 Balgownie	7.50	7.75
10 Bukit Timah...	10.00	11.00
1 Bukit K. B.	0.65	0.72½
10 Changkat Serdang ...	5.50	5.75
10 Cheras, $8 pd	2.00	2.75pm, x.d.
£1 Duff...	4.65	5.10
$1 Glenealy	1.25	1.30
5 Haytor	5 50	6.00
10 Henrietta, $9 pd.	1.50 dis.	050 dis.
10 Indragiri	4.0	5.00
1 Jimah	0.25	0.30
5 Kelemak, $4 pd	3.25 dis.	3.10 dis.
5 Kempas	1.75	2.00
5 Lunas	1.00	1.30
1 Malaka Pinda	0.57	0.60
2 Malakoff	1.80	1.85
5 Mantin, $4.25 pd	1.00	0.50 dis.
5 Merlimau	1.00	1.25
2 New Serendah	2.07½	2.12½
5 New Singapore	4.50	4 90
1 Nyalas	0 20	0.25
5 Pajam	8.00	8.10
1 Pantai	0.85	1.00
10 Pegoh	26 25	26.50
10 Pulau Bulang, $2.50 pd.	1.50	1.25 dis.
1 Punggor	0.45	0 50
5 Radella	8.50	9.50
2 Sandycroft	14.50	15 00
2 Singapore & Johore ...	8.70	9.10 x .d.
2 Sungei Bagan	0.70	0.80
10 St. Helena		15.00
1 Tambaisak	0.50	0.52½
5 Teluk Anson	4.05	4.25
2 Trafalgar	0.65	0.75
1 Ulu Pandan	0.45	0 50
1 United Malacca	0.50	0.52½
1 United Singapore ...		1.05
Rs. 50 Jebong	$115.00	122.50

SHANGHAI SHARE QUOTATIONS

ON 12TH DECEMBER, 1911.

[J. P. BISSET & Co.'s LIST.]

COMPANY.	PAID UP	QUOTATION
Banks:—		
Hongkong & S'hai...	$125	$300 sellers
Insurance:—		
Union Society C'tion	$100	$835, buyers
North-China	£5	Tls. 150
Yangtsze Assoca. ..	$60	$210, buyers
Canton	$50	$200
Hongkong Fire.....	$50	$355, sales
China Fire.....	$20	$125
Shipping:—		
Indo-China pref.	£10	Tls. 44, sel'ers
Indo-China def.		
Shell Trans. ord	£1	£33/-, sel'ers
Shell Trans. pref.	£10	£11.0.0, nom.
S'hai Tug & pref.	or T25	Tls. 14
S'hai Tug & Lighter ... ord	pr T50	Tls. 45, sellers
Kochien Transportation & Tow-Boat	T50	Tls. 25, sellers
Docks & Wharves:—		
S'hai Dock & Eng...	T100	Tls. 57
H. & W. Dock	$50	Tls. 48½ sellers
S. & H'kew Wharf...	T100	Tls. 90, sellers
H. K'loon W. & G...	$50	$48½, buyers
Yangtsze	T100	Tls. 130, sellers
Mining:—		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	£1	Tls. 13, sellers
Philippine Exp'tion	G $5	Tls. 2½
Lands:—		
S'hai Investment...	T50	Tls. 95, sales
H'kong Investment	$100	$104, sellers
Humphreys' Estate	T10	$7½, sellers
Weihaiwei.....	T20	Tls. 4½
China.....	T50	Tls. 50, nom.
Anglo-French	T100	Tls. 95½, sellers
Plantations:—		
Alma Estates, Ld...	£1	Tls. 7½, sellers
Ayer Tawah Rubber P'ation Co., Ld...	T10	Tls. 10½
Chempedak	£1	Tls. 10, sellers
Dominion Rubbers..	T9	Tls. 21
Kalumpong Rubber	£1	Tls. 11.60
K. Java P'ation, Ld.	T1	Tls. 3, sellers
Senawang Rber ...	T5	Tls. 18½, buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco	T20	Tls. 100, sellers
T. B. & T. Estate Co.	£1	Tls. 11, buyers
Cottons, etc:—		
Ewo.....	T50	Tls. 90, sellers
Internationals	T75	Tls 51, sellers
Laou Kung Mow ...	T100	Tls. 65, sellers
Soy Chees	T50	Tls. 28, sellers
Shanghai Cotton ...	T50	Tls. 56, sellers
Industrial:—		
A. Butler Cement, Tile Works	T50	Tls. 23, buyers
Anglo-Ger. Brewery	$100	$74, buyers
China Flour Mill ...	T50	Tls. 17, sellers
China Im. & Ex. Lumber	T100	Tls. 76, sales
C. Sugar Refining...	$100	$117, sel'ers
Green Is. Cement....	$10	$3.85, buyers
Maatschappij, &c., in Langkat.....	fls.10	Tls. 66, sa. & tel.
Major Brothers.....	T50	Tls. 26, sellers
Scharff's Oil & Bone Mills, Ld.	T50	Tls. —
Shanghai Electric Construction.....	£10	Tls. 53, buyers
Shanghai Electric & Asbestos	$25	$21, sellers
Shanghai Gas	T50	Tls. 100
Shanghai Ice.....	T25	Tls. 11, sellers
S'hai Pulp & Paper	T100	Tls. 8, sellers
S'hai Waterworks...	£20	Tls. 390, sellers
Stores:—		
Hall & Holtz	$20	$17½
J. Llewellyn	$60	$55, sales
A. S. Watson & Co.	$10	$5½, buyers
Central Ordinary ...	$15	$8, sales
Central Founders ...	$15	$400
S. Moutrie & Co. ...	$50	$20, sellers
Weeks & Co.	$20	$24, sellers
Lane, Crawford & Co.	$100	$110, buyers
Dunning & Co.....	$50	$20, sales
Hotels:—		
Astor House Hotel	$25	$11 sellers
Hotel des Colonies	T12.50	Tls. 4, sellers

THE STUDY OF ORIENTAL LANGUAGES.

PROPOSED SCHOOL IN LONDON.

The interim report of the Oriental Studies Committee of the India Office was issued recently.

This Committee was appointed in March of last year by the Secretary of State for India as a Departmental Committee, with the following reference:—

To formulate in detail an organized scheme for the institution in London of a School of Oriental Languages upon the lines recommended in the report of Lord Reay's Committee of 1909.

The following were appointed members of the Committee:—Lord Cromer (chairman), Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the Lord Mayor (Sir John Knill), Sir Charles Hardinge (Permanent Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs), Sir Charles Lyall, Dr. H. Frank Heath, and Mr. P. J. Hartog (secretary). Sir C. Hardinge, now Lord Hardinge of Penhurst, retired from the Committee on his appointment as Governor-General of India, and was succeeded by Sir Arthur Nicolson; and Sir John Knill retired on the expiration of his year of office, being succeeded by the late Lord Mayor, Sir T. Vezey Strong. The report is dated June 14, 1911, and is signed by Lord Cromer, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, Sir T. Vezey Strong, Sir A. Nicolson, Sir C. J. Lyall, Dr. Heath, and Mr. P. J. Hartog.

The interim report states that the Committee regarded their task as twofold—first, to propose a detailed scheme for the material establishment of the School; and, secondly, to propose a detailed scheme for its management when established. It has been suggested that it might be possible for the site and buildings of the London Institution to be utilized for the purposes of the new School, and the question of suitability has been inquired into. Dr. Heath and Mr. Hartog have prepared a detailed report upon the matter and have obtained architects' plans from Professor F. M. Simpson, F.R.I.B.A., which are annexed to the present report.

The Committee are unanimously of opinion that taking into account not only the academic but also the commercial needs which the School of Oriental Studies is intended to supply, it would be difficult to find a site with greater advantages than that of the London Institution, and they are also of opinion that, subject to certain modifications, Professor Simpson's plans would provide convenient and satisfactory accommodation for the new School at the outset. Appended to the report is a note embodying certain suggestions in regard to these plans. The Committee say:—

"We desire to emphasise the fact that the value of the site of the London Institution cannot be estimated at less than £100,000, and that at a cost of some £20,000 or £25,000 the existing buildings could be adapted for the new School. The site and buildings of the Berlin School of Oriental Studies were provided at Government expense at a cost of over £50,000.

. . . . The estimated annual expenditure for domestic and administrative staff and establishment expenses of the School, if placed at the London Institution, amounts to £1,000. Of this sum £1,000 is for rates and taxes; and £1,500 is for maintaining the existing library of the London Institution, containing 200,000 volumes, in addition to a more specialized library of Oriental books required for the School, Lord Reay's Committee estimated the library expenses of the School at £425 per annum; so that over £1,000 of the total expenditure on the library must be set down to the expense of taking over the existing library of the Institution. The total expenses set down by Lord Reay's Committee under the headings here considered (and set down in their report, section 40, as library and administrative expenses) amount to £2,625. If we subtract from our own estimate of £4,000 the sum of £1,075, due to the expense of carrying on the present London Institution Library, the difference between our own figures and those of Lord Reay's Committee is reduced to £300 per annum.

The question of expenditure on the salaries of the director and teaching staff, estimated by Lord Reay's Committee to amount to £10,100, is one which does not directly come within the purview of the present interim report.

In regard to the question of the constitution of the governing body, we do not desire to say more at present than that we are of opinion that it would be desirable to establish the School under a Royal Charter.

The negotiations with the committee of management and proprietors of the London Institution must, of course, primarily be conducted by his Majesty's Government, but, in order to save time, we have ventured to send a copy of this report unofficially to the President of the Institution, and we shall be happy to do whatever lies in our power to assist in bringing the negotiations to a satisfactory conclusion.

Included in the Appendices to the report are some notes on the library supplied by Mr. Frazer, the present librarian of the Institution, which show that a large number of the books deal with the antiquities, the history and geography, language, and literature of the countries which fall within the purview of the School of Oriental Studies.

MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

BRITISH

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 700 tons, 4 guns, 2,000 i.h.p., Comdr. A. Lowndes, Hankow.

Astræa, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 10 guns, 7,000 i.h.p., Captain E. B. Kiddle, en route to Hongkong due on 21st inst.

Atlas, admiralty tug, 615 tons, 1,400 i.h.p., Comdr. Donaldson, Pakhoi.

Bramble, gunboat 710 tons, 900 i.h.p. Lieut. Comdr. B. G. Washington, Kiukiang.

Britomart, gunboat, 710 tons, 900 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. M. Barker, Hankow.

Cadmus, British sloop, 1,070 tons, i.h.p. 1,400, f.d., Comdr. H. Lynes, Hankow.

Cherub, water tank and tug, 390 tons, i.h.p. 340, Master W. Smith, Hongkong.

Clio, British sloop, 1,070 tons, i.h.p. 1,400, Comdr. H. R. Veale, Shanghai.

Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 340 tons, 6 guns, 5,700 i.h.p., Lt.-Comdr. H. S. Monroe, Foochow.

Flora, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons. 10 guns, 7,000 i.h.p., Captain C. F. Corbett, M.V.O., Shanghai.

Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer 295 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. R. R. Rosoman, West River.

Janus, torpedo-boat destroyer, 320 tons, 6 guns, 3,900 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. R. B. England, Swatow.

Kent, armoured cruiser, 9,800 tons, 14 guns, i.h.p. 22,000, Capt. S. St. J. Farquhar, Singapore.

Kinsha, river gunboat, 616 tons, i.h.p. 1,200, Lieut.-Comdr. H. Marryat, Hankow.

Merlin, surveying ship, 1,070, tons, 6 guns, 1,400 i.h.p. Commr. B. O. M. Davy, Hongkong.

Minotaur, armoured cruiser (flagship Vice-Admiral Sir A. L. Winsloe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G.), 14,600, tons, i.h.p. 27,000, Capt. G. C. Cayley, Hongkong.

Monmouth, armoured cruiser, 9,800 tons, i.h.p. 22,000, Captain L. E. Power, M.V.O., Hongkong.

Moorhen, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, i.h.p. 800, Lieut.-Comdr G. P. Leith, West River.

Newcastle, 2nd class cruiser, 4,800 tons, turbine, Captain George P. E. Hunt, D.S.O., Nanking.

Nightingale, river gunboat, 85 tons, 240 h.p, Lt.-Comdr. Malcolm Murray. R.N., Yangtsze.

Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 385 tons, 6 guns, 6,300 i.h.p., Comdr. Lambe, Nanking.

Robin, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lt.-Comdr. J. S. Tyndall, West River.

Rosario, depot ship for Submarines, 980 tons, i.h.p. 1,400, Lt.-Commr. N. E. Archdale, Canton.

Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. E. J. J. Southby, West River

Snipe, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns 240 h.p., Lt.-Comdr. Maurice B. Leslie, Shanghai.

Taku, torpedo boat destroyer, 305 tons, i.h.p. 6,000, Gunner E. J. Triffo. R.N., Hongkong.

Tamar, receiving ship, 4,650 tons, 6 guns Commodore Eyres, Hongkong.

Teal, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, 800 i.h.p. Lieut.-Comdr. Hon. Guy Stopford, Chungkiang.

Thistle, gunboat, 710 tons, 900 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. M. B. Baillie-Hamilton, Hankow.

Virago, torpedo-boat destroyer, 395 tons, 6 guns 5,300 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Harold D. Adair-Hall, Amoy.

Waterwitch, surveying ship, 620 tons, 450 i.h.p. Lieut.-Comdr. R. L. Hancock, Hongkong.

Whiting, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 5 guns, 5,900 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. G. B. Hartford, Yangtsze.

Widgeon, gunboat 195 tons, 2 guns, 800 h.p. Comdr. M. H. Wilding, Kiating.

Woodcock, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p. Lieut.-Comdr. M. B. R. Blackwood, Yangtsze.

Woodlark, gunboat, 150 tons, 2 guns, 550 h.p. Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. A. Mulock, Hankow.

Submarines:—
No. 36, Godfrey Herbert, Lieut.-Commr.
No. 37, A. A. L. Fenner, Lieut.-Commr.
No. 38, J. R. A. Codrington, Lt.-Commr.

AUSTRIAN.

Kaiserin Elisabeth, Austrian protected cruiser, 4,000, Fregattenkapitan Oskar Hansa, Northern Waters

Panther, third class cruiser, 1,530 tons, Fregattenkapitan, Theodor Skerl Edl. von Schmidtheim

FRENCH.

Achéron, armoured gunboat, 1,830 tons, 9 guns 1,700 h.p., Lieut. Bertrand, Saigon

Alger, 2nd class cruiser, 4,320 tons, 22 guns 5,100 h.p., Commander Fournier, Hongkong

Alouette, gunboat, 506 tons, 7 guns, 400 h.p. Commander Badin, Saigon

Argus, river gunboat, 180 tons, 6 guns, 570 h.p., Lieut. Audouard,

Baionnette, gunboat.

Cimeterre, gunboat, 140 tons, Reserve, Saigon

Caronade, gunboat, 134 tons, Reserve, Saigon

Décidée, gunboat, 630 tons, 10 guns, 900 h.p., Lieut. de Linarès, Shanghai

Dupleix, armoured cruiser, 7,578 tons, 26 guns, 17,000 h.p.

Desaix, armoured cruiser, 7,578 tons, 26 guns 17,000 h.p.

D'Iberville, gunboat

Estoc, gunboat, 141 tons, Reserve, Haiphong

Esturgeon, sub-marine, 70 tons, 60 h.p., Lieut Combet, Saigon

Fronde, destroyer, 300 tons, 7 guns, 6,300 h.p. Saigon

Henri Rivière, river gunboat, 150 tons, 6 guns 152 h.p., Haiphong

Lynx, sub-marine, 70 tons, 6 h.p., Lieut. Marrs, Saigon

Montcalm, armoured cruiser, (flagship) 9,367 tons, 36 guns, 19,600 h.p., Rear Admiral de la Croix de Castries (Commander-in-Chief

Manche, surveying-ship, 1,625 tons 10, guns, 900 h.p., Commander Ragot de la Touche, Saigon

Mousquet, destroyer, 300 tons, 7 guns, 6,300 h.p., Commander de la Roche Karandraon, Saigon

Olry, river gunboat, 170 tons, 6 guns, 500 h.p Lieut. de Maindreville, Upper Yangtse

Pelho, river gunboat, 130 tons, 4 guns, 280 h.p. Lieut. Puech, Tongku

Perle, sub-marine, 70 tons, 60 h.p., Lieut. Monnier, Saigon

Pistolet, destroyer, 300 tons, 7 guns, 7,000 h.p., Commander Mortenol, Hongay.

Protée, sub-marine, 70 tons, 60 h.p., Lieut Morris, Saigon

Redoutable, battleship (reserve), 9,330 tons 37 guns, 6,200 h.p., Capt. Dronet, Saigon

Styx, armoured gunboat, 1,300 tons, 8 guns. 1,600 h.p., Lieut. Seriot, Saigon.

Takou, destroyer, 230 tons, 6 guns 6,500 h.p., In Reserve, Saigon

Vauban, torpedo-depot, Commander Mortenol, Hongay

Vétéran, torpedo-depot, Lieut. Bihel, Cap Saint-Jacques

Vigilante, river gunboat, 180 tons, 6 guns, 7 h.p. Lieut. Dumonlin, Sikiang

GERMAN.

Arcona, cruiser, 2,719 tons, Captain von Hipper Amoy

Iltis, gunboat, 1,000 tons, 10 guns, h.p. Captain Laus

Jaguar, gunboat, 900 tons, 10 guns, 1,300 h.p Captain Graf von Posadowsky-Wehner

Leipzig, cruiser, Captain Engel

Luchs, gunboat 850 tons, 10 guns, 1,344 h.p Captain Bölken

Scharnhorst, armoured cruiser (flagship) 11,420 tons, 52 guns, 26,000 h.p., Kapitan Zur See Maass

Taku, destroyer, 280 tons, 4 guns, and 2 torpedo tubes, 6,000 h.p., Kommandant Kolbe (Haus) Bertram

Torpedo boat "S 90," Kapitans Leut. Heyden

Tiger, gunboat, 900 tons, 10 guns, 1,300 h.p., Captain v. Koss

Tsingtau, gunboat, 170 tons, 5 guns, 1,300 h.p. Captain Ross

Vaterland, gunboat, — tons, 3 guns, 500 h.p. Captain Toussaint

PORTUGUESE

Patria, gunboat, 700 tons, Captain J. Affreze

UNITED STATES.

Rear-Admiral Joseph B. Murdock, U.S.N., Commanding.

First Division.

Saratoga, first class cruiser armoured, 8,150 tons, flagship.

New Orleans, cruiser, 3,430 tons.

Albany, cruiser, 3,430 tons.

Second Division.

Wilmington, gunboat, 1,397 tons.

Helena, gunboat, 1,397 tons.

Elcano, gunboat, 569 tons.

Rainbow, Naval transport, 6,000 tons.

Villalobos, gunboat, 400 tons.

Samar, gunboat, 400 tons.

Callao, gunboat, 200 tons.

Paragua, gunboat, 300 tons.

Mindoro, gunboat, 300 tons.

Quiros, gunboat, 400 tons.

Torpedo Division.

Mohican, tender cruiser, 1,900 tons.

Bainbridge, torpedo boat destroyer, 420 tons.

Dale, „ „ „ „

Barry, „ „ „ „

Chauncey, „ „ „ „

Decatur, „ „ „ „

Submarine Division.

Shark, Adder, Porpoise and Moccasin, all 120 tons.

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„ Monadnock, 4,000 tons.

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Steamers	Tons	Sailing Dates	
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The recently appointed Foreign Mission Investigation Committee of the International Bible Students Association, which since its appointment has been holding sessions at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, is composed of the following members: Gen. William P. Hall, U.S.A., Washington, D.C.; Dr. Leslie W. Jones, Chicago; Robert B. Maxwell, Mansfield, Ohio; Prof. F. H. Robison, Ontario, Canada; J. T. D. Pyles, Washington, D. C.; Ernest W. V. Kuehn, Toledo, Ohio; and Pastor Russell of the Brooklyn Tabernacle, the latter being appointed Chairman, and Prof. Robison Secretary.

These gentlemen have been commissioned to make a tour into Japan, China, Philippine Islands, Siam, India, Arabia and Africa, to impartially investigate and report to the Association and the general public on the following points:

1.—Are the Foreign Missions being conducted on business-like, Christian lines?

2.—To what extent are the methods adopted successful in reaching the heathen people, and in bringing them to Christianity?

3.—What are the teachings, and inducements presented to accept Christianity, and how enduring are the results?

4.—What is the attitude of Heathendom towards the Missionaries, and Christianity, and what are the prospects for Foreign Missions becoming self-sustaining?

5.—What, if any, changes could be suggested in teaching or in financial administration to make the Foreign Mission work more successful in the future?

6.—What hope is there for the conversion of the world in this generation as proposed by the Laymen's Missionary movement with its thirty-million dollar endowment?

7.—To what extent does the money donated benefit the Heathen, and could any improvement along this line be suggested?

In explanation of this unprecedented action, it was stated that millions of dollars are annually spent in Foreign Missionary activity, and many members of the Association thought it well to appoint a Committee, chiefly laymen, business men who contribute, to make a tour of investigation on these points, and report the facts as they find them to exist. The personnel of the Committee assures the Association of a full and impartial report, no matter how unfavourable it might be to some. The Committee was to start on its round-the-world tour from San Francisco about December 10th.

SHIPPING OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

GENERAL INCREASE OF TONNAGE.

The annual statement of the navigation and shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1910, with comparative tables for the years from 1906, has been issued as a Blue-book (Cd. 5840).

With regard to foreign trade, the abstract tables show that last year 26,315 British steam and sailing vessels entered our ports with cargoes, the net tonnage being 29,121,534, whilst those with cargoes and in ballast numbered 37,961, of 39,641,620 tonnage. A slight decrease is shown in the figures as compared with the previous year as regards vessels with cargo and in ballast—38,121 vessels of 39,661,660 tons—but the two years show an increase over those of 1908, when the vessels numbered 37,516, the tonnage being 38,889,588. Though there was an increase in the number of vessels and tonnage entered with cargoes last year, in 1909, when the number (26 246) was less than in 1908 (26,253), the tonnage (28,355,694) was greater than in the previous year, when it amounted to 28,051,164.

The tables relating to foreign shipping show that in 1910 32,636 vessels entered with cargoes and in ballast, of a net tonnage of 27,018,829, while in 1909, though the vessels totalled 33,169, the tonnage was but 26,547 859. This disparity is still further marked by the larger number of vessels (33,329) given as entering in 1908, the tonnage then being 26,579,469. The figures for foreign vessels with cargoes for the three years are:—1908, 20,485 vessels of 12,138,801 tons; 1909, 19,978 vessels of 11,960,109 tons; and 1910, 20,027 vessels of 12,497,131 tons. The figures for vessels cleared show that against a total of 46,342 vessels entered last year with cargoes of tonnage amounting to 41,618,665, vessels cleared numbered 60,421 with tonnages of 57,326,948. The coasting trade showed no such fluctuations in figures, the increases being steadily maintained for the past three years both in respect to the number of vessels entered and the tonnages.

The numbers of sailing and steam vessels remaining on the registers at ports in the United Kingdom (including the Isle of Man and Channel Islands) and other British Possessions at the close of the three years under review again reveal continuous increases, though last year there was a decline in the figures relating to the United Kingdom as compared with the previous year. The total number of vessels on the register at the close of 1908 was 38,608, of a combined tonnage of 13,253,354; in 1909 38,798 vessels, 13,348,013 tonnage; and last year 38,928 vessels, 13,361,988 tonnage. There was a decline of 99 vessels registered in the United Kingdom in 1910, the decrease in tonnage being 30,215

A table dealing with vessels on the register classified according to age and net tonnage shows that there still remain on the register 353 sailing vessels, of net tonnage of 19,480, and nine steam vessels (net tonnage 1,355) constructed in 1850 or earlier. The number of fishing boats registered has continuously declined since 1908, when there were 25,757, till last year the number was 24,982. The number of persons employed on 14,440 vessels last year was 276,306 (236,910 British, 43,934 Lascars, and 30,462 other foreigners).

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 20th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression, which has deepened considerably during its progress across the Sea of Japan, is now moving into the Pacific to the North of Hokkaido.

The anti-cyclonic area covers China, and pressure has increased along the coast, particularly in the North.

Very strong monsoon may be expected over the coast and the N. part of China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

District	Forecast.
* Hongkong & Neighbourhood	
Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, strong to a gale.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks.	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan..	Same as No. 1.

* N.E. winds, strong; drizzling rain or mist.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

20th DECEMBER, A.M.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.
Vl'estock	7 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.	29.18	—	—	WSW	1	—
Hakodate	"	29.52	—	—	W	3	—
Tokio	"	29.66	—	—	NW	1	—
Kochi	"	30.01	—	—	—	0	—
Nagasaki	"	30.23	—	—	N	4	—
Kagoshima ...	"	30.19	—	—	NW	4	—
Oshima	"	30.20	—	—	N	5	—
Naha	"	30.19	—	—	NNE	6	—
Ishi'jima	"	30.10	—	—	NE	3	—
Bonin Is.	"	30.14	—	—	SSW	2	—
Chefoo	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Weihaiwei ...	9 a.	30.54	26	75	N	3	oq
Hankow	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kiukiang	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	9 a.	30.54	43	59	N	1	o
Gutzlaff	"	30.45	46	54	N	4	bv
Sharp Peak ...	"	30.38	60	—	NNE	5	o
Amoy	6 a.	30.30	60	76	NE	5	o
Swatow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5 a.	30.27	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu	"	30.15	—	—	N	6	—
Tainan	"	30.13	—	—	N	6	—
Koshun	"	30.10	—	—	N	10	—
Pescadores ...	"	30.17	—	—	N	10	—
Canton	9 a.	30.23	61	88	N	2	o
Hongkong ...	10 a.	30.20	66	83	E	5	oq
Viet. Peak ...	"	—	—	—	E	8	—
Gap Rock	"	30.17	—	—	E	6	—
Macao	"	30.20	67	—	ESE	2	o
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phulien	8 a.	30.13	68	—	E	3	o
Tourane	"	30.10	77	—	SE	2	o
C. St. James ...	"	30.09	79	—	NE	5	o
Aparri	6 a.	30.04	75	—	NE	0	b
Manila	10 a.	30.03	82	71	—	0	o
Legaspi	6 a.	30.00	77	—	NE	2	b
Bacolod	9 a.	—	—	—	N	1	h
Iloilo	"	30.03	81	—	N	1	o
Cebu	"	29.97	84	—	N	1	o
Labuan	"	29.95	81	—	—	—	—

F. G. FIGG, *Director.*

Hongkong Observatory, December 20th, 1911.

1 BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2 TEMPERATURE, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.
3 HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4 DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5 FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6 STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew (wet)
0 RAIN in inches, tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, Decemberber 20th.

	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.08	30.20	30.16
Temperature ...	71	66	65
Humidity.....	83	83	78
Wind Direction ...	West	East	East
" Force	1	5	4
Weather	o	oq	o
Rain	—	—	—

Highest open air Temperature on 19th...75
Lowest open air Temperature on 19th...67

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 21st to 27th December, 1911.

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	High Water. H'kong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. H'kong Mean Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Thurs.	21	m 11 14	4 4	m 4 10	1 3
		9 16 a	7 7	2 41 a	3 6
Fri.	22	m 0 2 a	4 3	m 4 54	1 2
		44 9 a	7 7	3 11 a	3 8
Sat.	23	m 0 51 a	4 3	m 5 33	1 2
		10 11 a	7 5	3 40 a	3 9
Sun.	24	m 1 41 a	4 3	m 6 13	1 2
		10 39 a	7 3	4 7 a	4 1
Mon.	25	m 2 31 a	4 3	m 6 53	1 4
		11 10 a	7 0	4 35 a	4 3
Tues.	26	m 3 19 a	4 4	m 7 34	1 6
		11 50 a	6 6	5 8 a	4 4
Wed.	27	4 0 a	4 6	m 8 17	1 8
				6 6 a	4 5

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

CLARA JEBSEN, German str., 1,103, A. Ulderup, 20th Dec.—Hoihow 18th Dec., General—Jebsen & Co.

EMPIRE, British str., 2,843, St. John George, 20th Dec.—Sydney via ports 28th Nov., General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

GERMANIA, German str., 630, Jebsen, 20th Dec.—Korror 16th Dec., Copra—Siemssen & Co.

HAIMUN, British str., 615, A. H. Stewart, 20th Dec.—Swatow 19th December., General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.

HIRANO MARU, Japanese str., 5,280, H. Fraser, 20th Dec.—London and Singapore 15th Dec., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

KIRIN MARU, Japanese str., 2,361, M. Degachi, 20th Dec.—Singapore 12th Dec., General and Cotton—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

MONTEAGLE, British str., 6,163, W. Davison, R.N.R., 20th Dec.—Shanghai 17th Dec.—C. P. R. Co.

NIKKO MARU, Japanese str., 3,439, M. Yagi, 20th Dec.—Yokohama 12th Dec., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

SEGOVIA, German str., 2,995, E. Deinat, 20th Dec.—Hamburg and Singapore 13th Dec., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

WAKASA MARU, Japanese str., 3,229, A. Nielsen, 20th Dec.—Bombay and Singapore 13th Dec., Cotton and General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
20th December.

Gregory Apcar, British str., for Singapore.
Haimun, British str., for Swatow.
Hanoi, French str., for Haiphong.
Hirano Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.
Segovia, German str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES

20th December.

CHIPSHING, British str., for Foochow.
CHOSHUN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.
HAITAN, British str., for Swatow.
KUMANO MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
MIYASAKI MARU, Japanese str., for Singapore.
RYOJA, Norwegian str., for Moji.
SI-KIANG, French str., for Haiphong.
SUNGKIANG, British str., for Hoihow.
TJIBODAS, Dutch str., for Shanghai.
TUNG WAH, British str., for Shanghai.
WAKASA MARU, Japanese str., for Shanghai.
YANGTSZE, British str., for Liverpool.
ZAFIRO, American str., for Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Germania*, from Korror, Mr Petersen.

Per *Empire*, from Sydney, &c., Mrs Callar, Mrs Hemming and 2 children, Mrs Omelvend, Mr Keech, Mr L. Wood, Mr F. C. Kearm, Mr Medhurst, Mr H. H. Bell, Mr McAlister and Mr J. H. Brewster.

Per *Nikko Maru*, from Japan, &c., Mr C. A. Willson, Mr A. Skattebol, Mr and Mrs A. N. Harker, Mrs K. Yoshikawa and 2 children, Mr and Mrs S. Yoshikawa, Mrs I. Yoshida and child, Mrs Y. Nakajima, Mrs F. Nonaka and children.

Per *Hirano Maru*, from London, &c., Mrs C. Forsyth, Mrs C. Logan and 2 children, Miss E. Davies, Mr E. Davidson, Miss N. Gibbs, Mr A. H. Crew, Mr and Mrs Wilson and child, Mrs E. M. Eriksen and 6 children, Mrs J. R. Johnson, Mr and Mrs C. D. Pearson, and child, Miss N. Penty, Mr S. Costelloe, Mr and Mrs M. J. Gibson, Dr. and Mrs Ransom, Dr. and Mrs Gushue Taylor, Mr G. Wood, Mr F. Aron, Mr R. Grimshaw, Mrs R. Watson, Mr and Mrs C. A. Clear, Mr and Mrs A. Young, Miss A. Loader, Mr S. Dutton, Miss E. H. Houton, Mr Y. K. Boo, Miss M. Kerrigan, Miss G. Oviatt, Miss M. Oviatt and Mr S. Sakai.

DEPARTED.

Per *Kumano Maru*, for Japan, Rev. W. T. Gray, Mr and Mrs C. A. Powers, Mr K. Morita, Mr W. H. Babbett, Mr G. B. Cromwell, Mr G. Ishikawa, Mr C. A. Tood and Mr Tano.

Per *Miyasaki Maru*, for London, Mr T. Richard, Miss A. Richard, Miss Lawless, Mr W. B. Palmer, Mr and Mrs Rumbold, Mr E. Alepray, Mr Collion, Mrs J. F. Macleod, Miss C. Macleod, Miss Jessie Macleod, Mr Jas. W. Porter, Mr Hector Luguringo, Miss Porter, Mr D. Okoshi, Mr R. Hozumi, Mr Hatoyama, Rev. and Mrs John Usborne, Mrs R. Parr, Miss V. Parr, Mr and Mrs Corbett, Miss Masilko, Count and Countess Kielmansegg, Mr and Mrs D. Tuason, Master Tuason, Miss C. Tuason, Miss L. Tuason, Miss M. Tuason, Mr G. Inouye, Mr Deveney, Mr F. Deamer, Messrs J. Hanzawa, Y. Fukunaga, M. Yendo, C. E. Arnold, McElligatt, Kato, Sakaguchi, Kimura, Tsudzuki and Nishi, Miss M. Menks.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S S. Co.'s str. *Persia* from San Francisco was dispatched from Yokohama on the 19th inst., and is due to arrive here on the 27th inst.

The P. M. S.S. Co. s.s. *Korea* sailed from San Francisco December 6th for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagaski and Shanghai, and is due here on January 2nd.

The P. M. S.S. Co.'s str. *Siberia* sailed from San Francisco on the 19th inst. for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive here on the 19th prox.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The I G.M. str. *Prinz Waldemar* left Sydney on the 16th instant, at 11 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 8th prox.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. Co.'s str. *Empress of India* left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) at a.m. on the 14th inst.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s str. *Devanha* left Singapore for this port on the 16th inst., at 7.20 a.m., with the outward English Mails and is due here to-day at about 7 a.m.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Buelow*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 29th ult., left Colombo on the 17th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 28th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The "Ben" Line str. *Benlecuch* from Antwerp, Middlesbro' and London left Singapore on the 14th instant for this port.

The N.Y.K. str. *Tamba Maru* (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 15th inst, and is expected here on the 24th inst.

The A. & M. Line str. *Kioto* left Sabang on the 18th inst., and is due here on or about the 28th inst

The S.S. *Canton* consigned to Olof Wijk & Co, left Suez on the 4th instant and is expected here on or about the 2nd of January next.

The T.K.K. str. *Shinyo Maru* sailed from San Francisco on the 13th inst. for Hongkong, and is due at Hongkong on the 9th prox.

The T.K.K. str. *Kiyo Maru* sailed from Salina Cruz on the 12th instant for Hongkong, and is expected to arrive at this port on or about the 3rd February.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAMES.	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	HIMALAYA	Brit. str.	—	D. C. Gregor, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 23rd inst., at Noon.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 10th Jan.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SYRIA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 10th Jan.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	k. w	Stehr	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 15th Feb.
HAVRE, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	BRASILIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Maass	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th Jan.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	DORTMUND	Ger. str.	k. w.	Boldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 9th Jan.
HAVRE, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k. w	Reuss	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 31st Jan.
HAVRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Reuss	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st Feb.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c	KITANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. F. Cope	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Jan., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k. w	Malchow	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Petersen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Deinat	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 23rd Jan.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA JAPAN &c.	CHICAGO MARU	Jap. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 11 A.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c	TAMBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Noda	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 2nd Jan., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA, VIA SHANGHAI, &c	CANADA MARU	Jap. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 9th Jan., at 11 A.M.
NAPLES GENOA ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR & SOUTHAMPTON	KLEIST	Ger. str.	—	L. Maass	MELCHERS & Co.	On 27th inst., at Noon.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	E. F. FERDINAND	Aus. str.	—	Pavissich	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	INDRAVELLI	Am. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	About 26th inst.
NEW YORK	DACRE CASTLE	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & Co., LTD.	About 12th Jan.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	2 m.	W. Davison	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 30th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPRESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 27th Jan, at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER, B.C., SEATTLE & PORTLAND, &c	SUVERIC	Brit. str.	—		THE BANK LINE, LIMITED	On 9th Jan.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	KOREA	Am. str.	—		PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 12th Jan. at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	—	A. G. Stevens	TOYO KAISEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	PERSIA	Brit. str.	—		PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 5th Jan., at 1 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 6th Jan.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	Lenz	MELCHERS & Co.	On 30th inst., at 10 A.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 11 A.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	H. Bremer	MELCHERS & Co.	About 9th Jan.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILEAN VIA JAPAN	KIYO MARU	Jap. str.	—		TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 11th Feb., at Noon
JAPAN	TJIMAHI	Dut. str.	—	P. J. Scholte	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch
WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	WUHU	Brit. str.	—	J. Meathrel	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINKIA	Brit. str.	1 m.	Benson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	W. R. Hickey	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI	HUICHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	Hooker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd inst., at M'night
SHANGHAI	KOONSHING	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 24th inst., at D'light
SHANGHAI	CHENAN	Brit. str.	1 m	Wm. Lloyd Jones	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 28th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BUELOW	Ger. str.	—	H. Formes	MELCHERS & Co.	About 28th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	FOOKSANG	Brit. str.	—	T. A. Mitchell	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.	On 29th inst., at Noon
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NYANZA	Brit. str.	—	H. N. Rivers, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 29th inst.
SHANGHAI	LINAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	C. C. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 30th inst., at M'night
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Selmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st Jan.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	CANTON	Swed. str.	—		OLOF WIJK & Co., LTD.	On 2nd Jan.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	YEDDO	Swed. str.	—		OLOF WIJK & Co., LTD.	About 7th Feb.
SHANGHAI	TJIBODAS	Dut. str.	—	Bouman	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.	On 24th inst., at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIMUN	Brit. str.	2 h.	A. H. Stewart	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	To-day, at 11 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. S. Roach	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co	On 24th inst., at 11 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HATCHING	Brit. str.	2 h.	W. C. Passmore	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	On 26th inst., at 11 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAIYANG	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.	On 28th inst., at 11 A.M.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	On 23rd inst., at 2 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	Pennefather	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 26th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	Leask	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	On 30th inst., at 2 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	RUBI	Am. str.	—	S. Crosby	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co	On 30th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	KUMSBIC	Brit. str.	—	G. B. McGill	THE BANK LINE LTD.	On 3rd Jan.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	TJITAREUM	Dut. str.	—	V. Zwart	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	Quick despatch.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	—	Noma	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 26th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	S. H. Belson	DAVID SASSOON & Co., LTD	To-day, at 1 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Brit. str.	—	Bradely	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	On 27th inst., at 3 P.M.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	—	Weigall	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD	On 29th inst., at Noon
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	F. Sembill	MELCHERS & Co.	Middle of Jan.
KWANG CHOW WANG & HAIPHONG	SI-KIANG	Fren. str.	—	E. de Catalano	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 3rd Jan., at 9 A.M.

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1911. [1423

SHIPPING REPORT.

The British str. *Empire* reports: Moderate N.E. mons on since leaving Manila, otherwise fine weather throughout.

PASSED THE CANAL.

December 1st—*Dardanus, Kanagawa Maru, Nyanza, Siam, Silesia, Sumatra, Kioto.* 5th—*Aetyanax, Benlawers, Buelow, Canton, Inverclyde, Pakling, Pathan, Annam.* 8th—*Ajax, Bayern, Candia, Kaga Maru.* 12th—*Carmarthenshire, Jeseric, Malta, Tango Maru, Neleus.* 15th—*Belgravia, Ka a Maru, Satsuma, Telemachus, Welsh Prince, Yorck.* 19th—*Ambria, Bendoran, Himalaya, Oanfa, Socotra.*

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Dec. 19th—*Dumbea, Senegambia.*

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA, Capt. W. R. Hickey	5 P.M. 21st Dec.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	HIMALAYA, Capt. D. C. Greger, R.N.R.	Noon 23rd Dec.	See Special Advertisement
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	NYANZA, Capt. H. N. Rivers, R.N.R.	About 29th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	SYRIA, Capt. R. A. Peters,	About 10th Jan.	Freight and Passage.

For Further Particulars apply to

F. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [1

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 21st Dec., 4 P.M.
WEIHAIWEI and CHEFOO	"WUHU"	On 21st Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 22nd Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"HUICHOW"	On 23rd Dec., Midnight
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TAMING"	On 26th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 28th Dec., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 30th Dec., Midnight

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [10

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA:

S.S. SILESIA	1st Jan.
S.S. AMBRIA	15th Jan.
SS. GOLDENFELS	24th Jan.
S.S. SUEVIA	8th Feb.
S.S. FUERT BUELOW	20th Feb.
S.S. BELGRAVIA	1st Mar.
S.S. SACHSEN	18th Mar.
S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ	3rd April.

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HOMEWARD.

FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 21st Dec.
FOR HAVRE, ROTTERDAM, H'BURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. BRASILIA ... 5th Jan.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. DORTMUND... 9th Jan.
FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SEGOVIA ... 23rd Jan.
FOR HAVRE, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. SILESIA ... 31st Jan.
FOR HAVRE ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG:
S.S. SAMBIA ... 1st Feb.
FOR ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP:
S.S. SAXONIA ... 16th Feb.
FOR HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG:
S.S. AMBRIA... 18th Feb.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [12

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SA
* MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Saturday, 23rd Dec., 2 P.M.
† SHANGHAI	"KOONSHING"	Sunday, 24th Dec., D'light.
*SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Wed'day, 27th Dec., 3 P.M.
*†SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Friday, 29th Dec., Noon.
‡ SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Friday, 29th Dec., Noon.
* MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Saturday, 30th Dec., 2 P.M.

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‡ Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Kudat, Lahad, Datu, Simporna, Tawao, Usukan, Jesselton and Labuan.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1911. [15

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AND RETURN.
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STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"HAIMUN"	Capt. A. H. Stewart	THURSDAY, 21st Dec., at 11 A.M.
"HAITAN"	Capt. J. S. Roach	SUNDAY, 24th Dec., at 11 A.M.
"HAICHING"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 26th Dec., at 11 A.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. J. W. Evans	THURSDAY, 28th Dec., at 11 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMER	TONS	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000	A. G. Stevens	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon.
† TENYO MARU	21,000	E. Bent	FRIDAY, 29th Dec., at Noon.
† SHINYO MARU	21,000	H. S. Smith	FRIDAY, 19th Jan., Noon 1912
† CHIYO MARU	21,000	W. W. Greene	FRIDAY, 16th Feb. 1912.

† Triple Screws, turbine engines. * Twin Screws.
All Steamers are equipped with the Japanese Government Wireless Telegraph and Post Offices.

THE Triple Screw Steamer "TENYO MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 29th December, at NOON.

INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

THE Twin Screw S.S. "NIPPON MARU," 11,000 tons, Captain A. G. Stevens, will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 22nd December, at NOON.

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The Only Regular Direct Service to MEXICAN, CHILIAN and PERUVIAN PORTS:

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION):

STEAMER	TONS		DATE OF SAILING.
KIYO MARU	17,500	TUESDAY,	11th Feb., at Noon. 1912.
BUYO MARU	10,500	TUESDAY,	9th April, at Noon.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	FRIDAY,	7th June, at Noon.

THE Steamer "KIYO MARU" will be despatched hence for MEXICAN, PERUVIAN and CHILEANP ORTS VIA MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, 11th February, at NOON.

FARES FROM HONGKONG:

To LONDON	£71-10-0
„ VALPARAISO	£57- 0-0

Fares by INTERMEDIATE STEAMER.

To HONOLULU	£20- 0-0
„ SAN FRANCISCO	£25- 0-0
„ CHICAGO	£36-10-0
„ NEW YORK	£40- 0-0
„ LONDON VIA NEW YORK	£45- 0-0

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SPECIAL RATES (First Class only) are granted to principal points in the United States, Canada and Europe, on terms which may be obtained from the undersigned.

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Through Bills of Lading issued to North, Central and South American Ports.

For Further Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to

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REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FLOM HONGKONG.
(Subject to Alteration).

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Connecting at TACOMA with
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FOR	STEAMERS	Tons (Gross reg.)	LEAVES.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	WED'DAY, 27th Dec., at 11 A.M.
	"TACOMA MARU"	6,12	WED'DAY, 24th Jan., at 11 A.M.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, AND YOKOHAMA	"CANADA MARU"	6,064	TUESDAY, 9th Jan., at 11 A.M.
	"PANAMA MARU"	6,059	SATURDAY, 3rd Feb., at 11 A.M.

O. S. K. has made the following revision on 1st class passage to Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle Vancouver, Portland, and San Francisco:—

From Manila	G. $130.00
From Hongkong, Shanghai and Keelung	G. $110.00
From Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	G. $ 95.00
1st class passage from Hongkong to Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver, Portland and San Francisco	G. 110.00

The Co.'s Newly Built Steamers have fair speed. Superior accommodation for steerage Passengers, situated AMIDSHIP. A limited number of Cabin Passengers carried at Low Rates. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Measure and Parcels. Special attention given toward Express connection.

HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS & FORMOSA SERVICE

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW and AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	Sunday, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW and AMOY	"SOSHU MARU"	WED'DAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.

For information of Freight, Passages, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings

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MANAGER

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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS	TONS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	‡ KAWACHI MARU, Capt. H. Petersen,	7,000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec.
	KITANO MARU, Capt. F. E. Cope,	9,000	WED'DAY, 3rd Jan., at Daylight.
	IYO MARU, Capt. R. Takeda,	7,000	WED'DAY, 17th Jan., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, and YOKOHAMA	§ TAMBA MARU, Capt. K. Noda,	7,000	TUESDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
	§ AWA MARU, Capt. T. Irizawa,	7,000	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., & SEATTLE	§ KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. B. Kon,	7,000	SATURDAY, 30th Dec., from Kobe
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi,	6,000	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon.
	KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winckler,	6,000	FRIDAY, 19th Jan. at Noon
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO	‡ BOMBAY MARU, Capt. Noma,	5,000	TUESDAY 26th Dec.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser,	9,000	THURSDAY 21st Dec., 11 a.m.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA			
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE			
SHANGHAI, and KOBE			

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"HIROSHIMA MARU," 4,000 tons, Capt. Hirase, Saturday, Dec. 30th

The next steamer from Hongkong:—

1912 PASSENGER SEASON 1912

FOR EUROPE.

STEAMER	TONS	CAPTAIN	FROM HONGKONG
TANGO MARU	8,000	K. Kawara	February 14th.
KAMO „	9,000	F. L. Sommer	February 28th.
AKI „	7,000	K. Homma	March 13th.
MISHIMA „	9,000	A. C. Moses	March 27th.
KAGA „	7,000	M. Hagino	April 10th.
ATSUTA „	9,000	Wm. Thompsen	April 24th.
HITACHI „	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th.
MIYASAKI „	9,000	T. Murai	May 22nd.

FOR SEATTLE.

INABA MARU	7,000	S. Tominaga	February 27th.
TAMBA „	7,000	K. Noda	March 26th.
SANUKI „	7,000	—	April 9th.
AWA „	7,000	T. Irizawa	April 23rd.
INABA „	7,000	S. Tominaga	May 21st.

For further information, apply to—

T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.

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STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1912.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS
FOR

MARSEILLES AND LONDON

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Steamers to Colombo		Leave Hongkong		Connecting Steamers from Colombo to Marseilles & London		Due Marseilles (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due Plymouth (London 1 day later)
Steamer	Tons	1 P.M. Saturday		Steamer	Tons	Saturday	Friday
ASSAYE	7500	February	3	MANTUA	11000	March 2	March 8
HIMALAYA	7000	February	17	MACEDONIA	10500	March 16	March 22
DELHI	8000	March	2	MOREA	11000	March 30	April 5
INDIA	8000	March	16	Through Steamer		April 13	April 19
DEVANHA	8000	March	30	MOLDAVIA	11000	April 27	May 3
DELTA	8000	April	13	MALOJA	12500	May 11	May 17
ASSAYE	7500	April	27	MONGOLIA	10000	May 25	May 31
DELHI	8000	May	11	MALWA	11000	June 8	June 14

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, with exception of s.s. "INDIA" and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID. Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON:
1ST SALOON £71.10 SINGLE. £106.14 RETURN.
2ND „ £48.8 „ £ 72.12 „

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PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	Tonnage	Leave Hongkong about		Due London about	
NYANZA	7000	February	7	March	22
NILE	7000	March	6	April	19
NUBIA	6000	April	3	May	17
SUMATRA	5000	April	17	May	31
NAMUR	7000	May	1	June	14
PALAWAN	5000	May	15	June	29
BORNEO	5000	May	29	July	13
SYRIA	7000	June	12	July	27
NORE	7000	June	26	August	10

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES.

FARES TO LONDON:
1ST SALOON £55.0 SINGLE. £82.10 RETURN.
2ND „ £38.10 „ £57.4 „

For further Particulars, apply to—

E. A. HEWETT,
SUPERINTENDENT.

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POST OFFICE NOTICE

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be open on Christmas Day, on Tuesday, the 26th inst., and on Monday, the 1st January, from 8 to 9 a.m. only.

In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe on the 1st January the Post Office will be open one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery and one collection of letters each day as on Sunday.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

The Public are informed that owing to the larger number of parcels due by the incoming English Mail, *Devanha*, they will not be ready for delivery to the addressees until 10 a.m., on Friday morning, the 22nd inst.

The *Devanha*, with the English Mail, left Singapore on Saturday, the 16th inst., at 7.30 a.m., and may be expected here to-day, at 7 a.m. This packet brings parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 15th November, and for despatch overland on the 22nd November.

The *Himalaya*, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

FOR	PER	DATE
Haiphong ... ... (Taking Mails for Pakhoi)	*Hanoi*	Thursday, 21st, 9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haimun*	Thursday, 21st, 10.00 A M
Kobe and Yokohama	*Hirano Maru* ...	Thursday, 21st, 10.00 A M
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE and YOKOHAMA...	*Segovia*	Thursday, 21st, 11.00 A M
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	*Gregory Apcar* ..	Thursday, 21st, Noon
Macao	*Sui An*	Thursday, 21st, 1.15 P M
Shanghai	*Chinhua*	Thursday, 21st, 3.00 P M
Weihaiwei and Chefoo	*Wuhu*	Thursday, 21st, 3.00 P M
SHANGHAI	*Devanha*	Thursday, 21st, 4.00 P M
Manila Thursday Island Cooktown, Cairns Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney Hobart Launceston N w Zealand Melbourne Dunedin Adelaide Perth, and Fremantle ...	*Nikko Maru* ...	Friday, 22nd, 10.00 A M
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO .. ... SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE	*Nippon Maru*	Friday, 22nd, Printed Matter, and Samples ... .. 10.00 A M; Registration .. 10.00 A M (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.30 A M). Registration Kowloon B.O.... ... 9.30 A M; No late fee; Letters ... 11.00 A M
Macao	*Sui An*	Friday, 22nd, 1.15 P M
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle ..	*Taiyuan*	Friday, 22nd, 3.00 P M
EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN... (Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cent.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail) ..... The Parcel mail will be closed to-morrow, at 5.00 P.M.	*Himalaya* ...	Saturday, 23rd, Printed Matter and Samples ... ... 10.00 A M; Registration... 10.00 A M; Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 10.45 A M). Registration, Kowloon B.O. ... 9.30 A M; No late fee; Letters 11.00 AM
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	*Yuensang* ..	Saturday, 23rd, 1.00 P M
Macao	*Sui Tai*	Saturday, 23rd, 1.15 P M
Shanghai	*Koonshing*	Saturday, 23rd, 5.00 P M
Shanghai ... ... SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE.	*Huichow*... ...	Saturday, 23rd, Registration 5.00 P M; Letters 6.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haitan*	Sunday, 24th, 9.00 A M
Macao	*Sui Tai*	Sunday, 24th, 1.15 P M
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo	*Taming*	Tuesday, 26th, 9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haiching*	Tuesday, 26th, 9.00 A M
EUROPE &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN ... (Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to 11.30 A.M... Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) ...	*Kleist* ...	Wednesday 27th, Printed Matter and Samples ... 10.00 A M; Registration .. 0.00 A M (Registration with late fee of 10 cents. up to 10.45 A M; Registration Kowloon B.O. at ... 10 A M; No late fee; Letters ... ... 11.00 A M
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	*Kutsang*	Wednesday, 27th, 2.00 P M
NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and TACOMA	*Chicago Maru* ...	Wednesday, 27th, 10.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haiyang*	Thursday, 28th, 10.00 A M
Shanghai	*Chenan*	Thursday, 28th, 3.00 P M
Sandakan	*Mausang*	Friday, 29th 11.00 A M
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama ...	*Fooksang*... ...	Friday, 29th, 11.00 A M
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Angaur, Yap, Friedrich, Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Samarai, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle ...	*Prinz Sigismund*	Saturday, 30th, 9.00 AM
Manila, (Cebu and Iloilo)	*Loongsang* ...	Saturday, 30th, 1.00 P M
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cebu	*Rubi*	Saturday, 30th, 3.00 P M

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

December 20th.

ON LONDON:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/10 7/16
Bank Bills, on demand 1/10¼
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1/10 9/16
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ...1/10 11/16
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....1/10 13/16
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 1/10 13/16

ON PARIS:—
Bank Bills, on demand 234
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....238½

ON GERMANY:—
On demand.....189½

ON NEW YORK:—
Bank Bills, on demand 45
Credits, at 60 days' sight 46

ON BOMBAY:—
Telegraphic Transfer 138¼
Bank, on demand 138½

ON CALCUTTA:—
Telegraphic Transfer 138¼
Bank, on demand 138½

ON SHANGHAI:—
Bank, at sight 74¼
Private, 30 days' sight 75⅛

ON YOKOHAMA:—On demand 90¼
ON MANILA:—On demand—Pesos—90½
ON SINGAPORE:—On demand.....79
ON BATAVIA:—On demand 111
ON HAIPHONG:—On demand .....¼ % p.m.
ON SAIGON:—On demand.....par
ON BANGKOK:—On demand.....82½
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate ...$10.75
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael $56.40
BAR SILVER, per oz. 25 9/16

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

		per cent.
Chinese .....20 cents pieces.....	$5.34	discount
Chinese .....10 "	$5.67	"
Hongkong ...20 "	$5.18	"
Hongkong ...10 "	$5.32	"

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. HONGKONG, DECEMBER 20th, 1911.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS:—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	$125	all	$862, sales; £80
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	$12	all	$10
China Light and Power Company, Limited,	50,000	$5	all	$1.10
	50,000	$1	all	
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ld...	200,000	$10	all	$8¼
COTTON MILLS.—				
Ewo Cotton Spin'g. & Weaving Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 90
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld ...	125,000	$10	all	$4¾
International Cotton Manuf'ing Co., Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	all	Tls. 51
Laou-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ld	8,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 65
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 23
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	$7½		$20¾, sellers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.—				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ld.	60,000	$50	all	$55
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	50,000	$50	all	$47, sales
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited ...	10,000	$6¼	all	$7, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 57
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co., Ld..	36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 90, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	300,000	$10	all	$3.60, sellers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited ...	7,000	£10	all	$200
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	50,000	$10	all	$21¼, buyers.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited...	12,000	$50	all	$119,
	3,000		$25	$75
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	15,000	Ps. 10	all	P10, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	50,00	$25	all	$205, buyers
Hongkong Rope-Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	$10	all	$18, sales
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ld.	15,000	$10	$7	$5
INSURANCES.—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited ..	10,000	$250	$50	$187½, buyers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited ...	20,000	$100	$20	$128, sales
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited...	24,000	$83.33	$25	$105.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	$250	$50	$352
North-China Insurance Co., Limited ...	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 145
Union Insurance Society, Limited ...	12,400	$250	$100	$825
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	$100	$50	$210, @ Ex 73
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	$100	all	$100, sal. & bu.
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ld.	150,000	$10	all	$6¼, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld. ...	5,000	$50	$30	$30
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 94
West Point Building Co., Limited ...	12,500	$50	all	$48, buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch-en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat ...	25,000	Gds. 10	all	Tls. 66
MINING.—				
Société Française des Ch'ges du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$695
Rand Australian Gold Mining Co., Ld...	200,000	£1	all	$2½, buyers
	25,000	$10	all	$11½, buyers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited... ...	50,000	$10	$1	$1.10
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	$10	all	$5, buyers
REFINERIES.—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited ...	20,000	$100	all	$105, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited ...	7,000	$100	all	$31½, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ld. ...	30,000	$25	all	$10½, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited ...	20,000	$50	all	$21
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	all	$27, sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld	60,000 pref. 60,000 def.	£5	all	61, L'don. £5 10s.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited.	2,500,000	£1	all	81/3
Star Ferry Company, Limited ...	10,000	$10	all	$27¼
	10,000	$10	$5	$17
South China Morning Post, Limited ...	6,000	$25	all	$22½
Steam Laundry Company, Limited... ...	20,000	$5	all	$6¾
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited ...	1,200	$10	all	$12, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	$7	all	$4¾, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	$10	all	$3, buyers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	$10	all	$5, sellers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	$10	all	$15, buyers
H. Price & Co., Ltd.	15,000	$10	all	12, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited,	9,900 ordy, 100 fders	$10	x4	$10.
		$10	all	$300.
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	$10	all	$7½, buyers

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TO-DAY

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